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AMERICANS BELIEVED LOST BRITISH LINER TORPEDOED

Steamer Persia, With 160 Passengers and Crew of 250 to 300, Sunk by Unidentified Submarine in Mediterranean Last Thursday—Nearly All Probably Drowned—Few Survivors Rescued From Four Life Boats.

ROBERT NEY M'NEELY, OF MONROE, N. C., U. S. CONSUL AT ADEN, WAS ON THE SHIP

Efforts to Get Information Regarding Him and Two Other American Passengers Are Being Made by Consul General at London—Liner's Owners Have Received No Detailed Report of the Disaster.

London, Jan. 1. — The British liner Persia, with 160 passengers and a crew of 250 to 300, was sunk by an unidentified submarine at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon off the island of Crete, in the Eastern Mediterranean. Messages received from various sources say that nearly all on board were lost.

Robert Ney McNeely, of Monroe, N. C., American consul at Aden, and Robert Grant, of Boston, were on the liner.

The crew of the Persia virtually all were lascars. Four boats are known to have got away from the sinking vessel, each capable of carrying sixty persons, but it is not known if the boats were full. The rescued were picked up by a steamer bound for Alexandria, where they were expected today.

Carried Many Passengers.

Sixty-one first class passengers and eighty-three second cabin passengers, including eight children, boarded the Persia when she left London, December 18, for Bombay. At Marseilles the vessel picked up 231, including 87 women and 25 children. A number of the passengers embarking at London were landed at Gibraltar, Marseilles and Malta, however, and unofficial figures given out by the Peninsular and Oriental Line, owners of the Persia, stated that after deducting the passengers leaving the ship at various ports of call, about 169 were aboard when the vessel was sunk.

Officials of the Peninsular and Oriental Line says they have received no details concerning the sinking of the Persia and do not know whether she received warning or not. They are also unable to give any information concerning American citizens on the Persia.

Inquiring as to Americans.

Every effort is being made by Consul General Robert P. Skinner at London to get some information about Robert Ney McNeely, the American consul at Aden, and two other Americans known to be on the passenger list. One of the latter is believed to have disembarked at Gibraltar. The British admiralty informed Mr. Skinner it had no information with regard to the fate of the individual passengers. Mr. Skinner sent a cablegram to the American consulate at Alexandria requesting the consu lto ascertain the fat eof Consul McNeely and the other Americans.

Mr. McNeely sailed from New York for England November 2 7on the Holland-American liner Ryndam. He was on his way to take his first consul post. Mr. Skinner advised him to sail to the East by the Dutch Line, but the young man already had engaged passage on the Persia.

Was Passing Dangerous Zone.

The Persia is the latest of several vessels to be sunk by submarines in the Eastern Mediterranean, through which her course to the Suez canal would take her from Malta. On December 24 the French liner Ville de la Ciotat was sent to the bottom off the Island of Crete by a submarine which, according to unofficial British advices, fle withe Austrian flag.

No advices have been received in New York as to the date on which the Persia sailed from London. She departed some time inadvance of her advertised date of sailing, which was January 15. The voyage from London to Malta ordinaril yrequires nine days.

The Persia was built in 1900 at Greenock. She has been in the Bombay service since that time.

On account of the danger from submarines the Mediterranean route has been abandoned by the Japan Mail Steamship Company which is dispatching its steamships around the Cape of Good Hope. Insurance rates for vessels passing through the Suez canal have been increased by English underwriters to three or four times the normal figure.

ACCOMPANIED BY BROTHER?

Dowd McNeely Said to Have Been on Ship With Consul McNeely.

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 1.—Robert Ney McNeely, United States consul to Aden, on board the torpedoed Persia, was accompanied by his brother, Dowd McNeeley, until recently editor of the Waxhaw, N. C., Enterprise, it was stated at Monroe tonight. Dowd McNeely, it is said, was to have been his brother's secretary.

Robert Ney McNeely was born near Waxhaw, N. C., November 11, 1854, the third son of W. B. McNeely, who has ten sons and one daughter. He spent two years at the University of North Carolina, being in the law school the second year, and later graduated from this institution.

In 1903 he was chosen a representative in the General Assembly, began the practice of law at Monroe and in 1914 was elected State senator from his district. His law practice was of considerable proportions and he was active in the 1915 session of the General Assembly, especially in regard to tax legislation.

Mr. M. Pratt McNeely, of the local staff of The Morning Star, expressed surprise last night at the report that his brother, Mr. Dowd McNeely, accompanied his brother, Consul McNeely, on the trip to Arabia. After spending a day or two in Wilmington, Dowd McNeely left here on the morning of November 25 ostensibly for Waxhaw. While there had been no communication between him and his brother in Wilmington since that time, the latter presumed that he was at home now, and is not inclined to believe that Dowd McNeely sailed from New York on November 27, two days after he was here.

BROTHER IN WILMINGTON.

Consul McNeely Served Last Two Terms in State Legislature.

Consul Robert Ney McNeely is a brother to Mr. M. Pratt McNeely, of the local staff of The Morning Star. He was born at Waxhaw, N. C., and was in his 32nd year. He graduated from the University of North Carolina; received license to practice law in 1907 and has since been a practicing attorney at Monroe, N. C. He represented Union county in the lower House of the North Carolina General Assembly in 1909-10 and in the Senate at the last session. He was a deacon in the First Presbyterian church at Monroe.

Mr. McNeely received his appointment as consul at Aden, Arabia, on October 18th last. He went to Washington, D. C., to take special training for his work on November 10th and sailed from New York on November 27th for London, where he spent two weeks taking special training, Aden being an English province. He sent cablegrams of good wishes for the Christmas season to relatives at Waxhaw from London a few days ago.

He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McNeely, of Waxhaw, and is survived by his parents, nine brothers and one sister. One of the brothers is Mr. M. P. McNeely, of the local staff of The Morning Star.

THREE DEAD, SIX HURT

Passenger and Freight Cars on Electric Line Collide in a Fog.

LaPorte, Ind., Jan. 1.—Three persons are dead and half a dozen badly injured as the result of a head-on collision in a fog today between a passenger and a freight car on the Gary and Interurban railway at Brooks Crossing, eight miles west of here. The dead:

Willis Wickersham, 27, LaPorte, Ind., motorman on the passenger car; Mrs. Ellen Reed, Lloyd J. Waltrous, Westville, Ind., and of Chesapeake, Ohio., respectively.

TWO YOUNG WOMEN KILLED

Dashed Against Telephone Pole While Bob-Sheiling—Young Man Hurt.

Caldwell, N. J., Jan. 1.—Two young women were killed and a young man seriously injured while bob-sledding here today. The victims were Miss Winifrid Dalley and Miss Helen Vanderwater, both of East Orange. Their companion, William Little, Jr., son of the mayor of North Caldwell, is suffering from internal injuries. The three were coasting down a steep hill and in an effort to avoid a wagon dashed into a telephone pole.

FELT LIKE EXPLOSIONS.

Two or Three Distinct Shocks Rocked the City of Tacoma, Wash.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 1. — Two or three distinct shocks rocked the city at 4:52 P. M. today. The tremors felt more like explosions than earthquake shocks, but the Du Pont Powder Works and the Ruston Smelter, near the city, the only likely places for explosions, reported no accidents.

NO DAMAGE DONE.

Earthquake Shocks Continue for Few Seconds at Seattle, Wash.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 1. — An earthquake shock was felt here this afternoon, beginning at 4:52 o'clock, and continuing about ten seconds, followed by lighter tremors No damage was done.

Suez Canal, the New Scene of War.

Here the Germans are striving to make an attack on the Suez Canal and Exypt to fran the British line of communications with India, and as a result the whole British Empire is awakened to the danger. The Germans, or rather the Turks under command of German officers, expect to haul their munitions of war down the Oriental Railway from Constantinople to Bosanti. There the road has not been completed over the mountains and it is necessary to use motor trucks to Tarsus. After a railroad trip to Osmanie there is another motor trip to Radjo, making in all 160 miles of motor transportation for the munitions over roads which have not heretofore known motors. The railroad then leads on to Maan, 300 miles across the desert from the canal. The whole distance from Constantinople to Maan is 1,320 miles.

OFFICIAL WASHINGTON IS ANXIOUSLY AWAITING THE DETAILS OF TORPEDOING

New Dangers Threaten Relations Between United States and Central Powers, if American Rights Have Been Violated—Nothing Further Than Press Dispatches Tell is Revealed in Official Reports.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Official Washington tonight anxiously awaited details of the torpedoing of the British steamship Persia on which American citizens were known to have embarked. While it was realized that reports expected from consular and diplomatic representatives might show that the submarine commander was justified in sinking the vessel, officials were not inclined to minimize the gravity of the situation confronting the United States should it develop that there has been a violation of American rights.

New dangers, it was admitted, threatened the relations between the United States and the Central Powers which seemingly had just been placed on the road to satisfactory adjustment by the assurances contained in Austria's reply to the second Ancona note.

Should it develop that the submarine was of Austrian nationality, as there apparently is ground for believing, the Vienna government will be given every opportunity to explain. Meantime the State Department desires that it be determined definitely whether the Persia tried to escape; whether the torpedo was fired at her after or before she had stopped; whether warning was given; and whether the passengers had sufficient time in which to leave the vessel.

Only two official dispatches concerning the sinking of the Persia were received by the State Department today. These were from Consul General Skinner, at London, and the information they contained virtually was identical with that in press dispatches. Copies immediately were transmitted to President Wilson at Hot Springs and the department dispatched requests for information to United States representatives at Alexandria, Egypt, and other points where survivors might be landed or details of the attack might be available.

One American citizen aboard the Persia was Robert McNeely, newly appointed consul at Aden. The belief was expressed in official circles tonight that had he escaped some report would have been forwarded by him, as more than two days had elapsed since the vessel went down.

In the absence of specific details Secretary Lansing tonight declined to comment upon the sinking of the Persia. He made it clear that until the nationality of the submarine had been definitely established and the circumstances of the attack were known no action would be taken. He apparently was viewing the situation with an opne mind.

Austria's Probable Explanation.

It was realized that, should an Austrian submarine have destroyed the vessel, the Vienna government might offer the explanation that there had not been sufficient time for new instructions conforming to the assurances contained in the last Ancona note to reach submarine commanders. It was pointed out that this note was delivered to Ambassador Penfield only Wednesday and that the attack on the Persia occurred Thursday.

Whether new instructions regarding submarine attacks went forth from Vienna coincidentally with the delivery of the note or at some previous time, is not known here. Should such an explanation from Vienna be accompanied with proper disavowal and provision for reparation, it was considered likely that the United States would accept it.

Officials of the State Department are not inclined to doubt the good faith of the assurances given by Austria in its last note.

PROCEEDING TO NEW YORK

Liner Thessaloniki Steaming Under Own Power—Disabled at Sea.

Newport, R. I., Jan. 1.—Finding that the disabled Greek liner Thessaloniki was proceeding into New York under her own power, with the Patris, of the same line acting as a convoy, the coast guard cutter Seneca headed back for New York this afternoon after a two days search for the Thessaloniki. The disabled steamer had drifted 150 miles off her course to the southward when discovered by the Patris 330 miles southeast of Ambrose channel lightship.

New York, Jan. 1.—The oil tank steamer Communipaw, which was reported to have been sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine, arrived here today. Members of the crew declared they saw a steamer torpedoed by one of several submarines they sighted but did not know her name or nationality.

SAYS HIGHER RATES ARE NOT JUSTIFIED

Governor Craig Issues Statement on New Freight Tariffs.

BURDEN TO N. C. SHIPPER

Says North Carolina is "Getting it in the Neck Going and Coming," With Reference to New Advance Authorized.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 1.—Governor Craig, in an official statement tonight on the new freight rates from North Carolina points of origin into Southeastern territory, as put into effect today by the Interstate Commerce Commission over the protest of the State Corporation Commission said that it would seem that North Carolina is "getting it in the neck both going and coming" when considered in connection with the fact that under the Virginia cities' compromise two years ago North Carolina shippers still pay higher rates than Virginia cities shippers on freight from the North and Northwest.

The Governor says the southeastern territory rates are stated to not be final and that they should never be; that the compromise two years ago brought good feeling between the railroads and the people and he would deeply regret serious disturbance of this good feeling and he cannot believe that the men managing affairs of the carriers in this State, and heretofore so earnest in desire for equitable adjustment of all differences, will contend that freight originating in North Carolina going south shall bear the same tariff as similar freight originating in Virginia cities, nearly two hundred miles further from destination.

Increase Not Justified.

Furthermore the Governor insists that the affairs of all the North Carolina carriers involved in this increased tariff movement for southeastern territory are in such good condition as to in no way justify increased freight rates at this time. He mentions particularly the Southern as in "good healthy condition" and the Seaboard as "managed with much skill" and its condition so good that it voluntarily abandoned its suit against the Corporation Commission for the reduction of tax assessment.

Maxwell Makes Complaint.

The Governor's statement is based on a letter written him by Secretary Maxwell of the Corporation Commission, setting out the details of the effect that the new southeastern territory freight schedules will have in increasing the freight rate burdens of North Carolina shippers. In this Maxwell insisted that the commission has had no adequate time to analyze the new rates before they were ordered effective.

He explained how the new tariffs effect North Carolina shipments to such "gateway points" as Atlanta, Birmingham and Chattanooga, showing substantial increases that may be augmented by readjustment of present commodity rates under special order of the Interstate commission. He explains that the interstate commission will permit specific exception to any rate involved that it considers too high. No programme for resistance is outlined.

PRESIDENT IS HOST AT NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION

He and Mrs. Wilson Receive About 500 Callers.

Later They Entertain at Public Tea at Their Hotel—Mr. Wilson Declines to Discuss Sinking of Liner Persia.

Hot Springs, Va., Jan. 1.—President Wilson held his first official new year's reception this evening in the lobby of the hotel here where he and Mrs. Wilson are spending their honeymoon. He shook hands with about 500 persons and later was host at a public tea.

The line of callers, mostly country people from a radius of 30 miles about Hot Springs, was received by the President and Mrs. Wilson as they stood before a fire place near the hotel entrance. Mr. Wilson greeted each cordially and smilingly introduced his bride, who was gowned in blue georgette crepe, with blue lace sleeves and a high collar. At the team Mrs. Wilson officiated at a small table set apart for her and her husband.

The President and Mrs. Wilson motored today to Warm Springs, Va., after a rain storm had driven them from the golf links and returned by a circuitous route, alighting at Healing Springs, there miles away, and walking the remainder of the distance. They stopped several times to talk with children who trooped out to meet them.

Information regarding the situation with Austria was forwarded to the President by Secretary Lansing today, but its nature was not disclosed. Mr. Wilson would not comment on the possible effect of the sinking of the liner Persia, saying he could not form any opinion until he had more complete information.

Many messages of New Year's greeting came to the President, several of them fro mheads of foreign governments. None was made public here.

REJUVENATED RUSSIAN ARMY HAS TAKEN THE OFFENSIVE IN GALICIA

PREDICTS ALLIES WILL WIN IN 1916

Says War is Now Conducted Like Branch of Industry.

VIEWS ARE EXPRESSED

Prominent Representatives of Allied Countries Foresee Victory for Their Cause—Statements as to the Future.

Paris, Jan. 1.—In observation of the New Year, prominent representatives of various allied countries have contributed to the Matin statements of their views concerning the future of the war. Louis Barthou, former premier of France, says the war is now being conducted like a branch of industry and adds:

"The year of 1914 was a year of surprise; 1915 was a year of resistance and preparation, and 1916 will be a year of victory."

The Earl of Derby, who organized the movement in England for obtaining recruits, writes:

"I wait with absolute confidence the moment when the combined forces of the Allies triumphantly shall prevail. Our allies may be assured that our effort will not fail. Our governments, our peoples, have confidence in one another. Our soldiers and sailors are brave. This union of confidence and courage is a certain sign of victory."

Sir Edward Carson, former attorney general of England, says:

"Although we cannot expect any dramatic developments of the war at present, the moment cannot be far off when the Central Empires will feel seriously the effect of the pressure we and our allies are exercising on all their fronts. Speaking for the whole country, I promise we shall not cease our efforts to reach the maximum of our power.

"I think our principal objective should be in the Western theatre of war. We must give attention to these important points:

"First, the necessity of permanent co-operation among the different general staffs of the Allies; second, subordination of political to military consideration; third, the need of maintaining economic pressure on Germany; fourth, combination of all efforts and resources of the Allies."

Guglielmo Ferrero, the Italian historian, says the war is one of the great crises of history. He believes it will stimulate the creative energies of humanity. And the work of re-construction after the war will offer a great field for these energies.

Prof. Henri Bergson, of the University of Paris, says that although the future cannot be discerned, he has no doubt as to the issue of the war. He predicts a revivified France, greater than before and animated by a new

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VIOLENT EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS ARE RECORDED

Quakes Probably Occurred in Central America.

Seismographs at Georgetown University Observatory Yesterday Recorded Vibrations Which Lasted Almost Three Hours.

Washington, Jan 1. — A very severe earthquake, the heaviest recorded in some time, and lasting almost three hours, occurred in an undetermined location today. Seismographs of the Georgetown University observatory began recording the tremors at 8:43 A. M. The shocks increased in intensity and between 9:25 and 9:45 o'clock they were violent. Father Francis A. Tondorf, the seismographical director, said it was not until 11:33 A. M. that the vibrations stopped and that the vibrations were principally north and south. He conservatively estimated the distance of the center of the disturbance at 3,000 miles from Washington, and thought it probable that the shocks might have occurred in Central America, where there have been a number of disturbances within the last few weeks.

DIRECTION DUE SOUTH.

Severe Shocks Recorded on Seismograph at Canisius College.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 1. — Severe earthquake shocks were recorded on the seismograph at Canisius College, here, today. The first main shock was of seven minutes' duration, from 9 1-2 to 9.12 and 9:19, and the second of ten minutes, from 9.20 to 9.30, after which there were five minute tremors with one minute intermissions, until 10.43 o'clock. The indicated direction was due south, and the distance about 2,700 miles.

Result of Great Attack Expected to Have Much Effect on Balkan Situation.

FORCE WELL EQUIPPED

New Year's Holiday Gives Rest to Agitation Over Conscription in Britain.

Rumania Concentrates Forces on Bulgarian Border.

London, Jan. 1. — The rejuvenated Russian army, equipped with munitions from Japan, America and England, is engaged in a great attack on the Austro-Hungarian forces in Galicia. Reports from Vienna and Petrograd claim the advantage for their respective forces, but neither capital describes decisive results. The details, which are few and conflicting, give no definite description of the battle line.

1,500,000 Teutons Engaged.

Newspaper correspondents in Petrograd estimate that one and a half millions of Austro-Germans are engaged and assert that whatever changes have occurred in the fighting line are in favor of the Russians. The Austrian war office official report says that the Russian attacks were everywhere repulsed with heavy losses.

A significant fact is that the Russian army has again been able to take the offensive. Recent telegrams from the war theatre where this battle is raging, say that the Austrians show better fighting qualities now than in the earlier stages of the war.

The result of the battle is expected to have an important influence on the Balkan situation, particularly on the Rumanian policy. Apparently Russia has been preparing for these operations for some time past.

Cable communication from the Bessarabian region has virtually been suspended for more than a month, thousands of messages being held up until Wednesday last when the censorship was lightened and they began coming through.

Sinking of the Persia.

Other important news of the day was the announcement of sinking of the India-bound British liner Persia near the Island of Crete Thursday afternoon. The Persia carried more than 200 passengers and a crew of between 200 and 300. The cargo was small. Reports received here have given rise to a fear that a majority of the passengers were lost, which if true, makes this the most disastrous result of the submarine campaign since the sinking of the Lusitania. Among the passengers were three Americans, Robert N. McNeely, American consul at Aden; Charles Grant, of Boston, and Edward Rose, of Denver. There were also thirty British officers aboard the Persia bound for India, including Lord Montague.

Cable communication with the East is so slow that details of the disaster are not expected to arrive for a day or two. A majority of the Persia's passengers were British, bound for India, including many women.

Resting on Conscription.

The New Year's holiday has given a rest to the political agitation over conscription. The traditional secrecy enshrouding cabinet deliberations have been thrown to the winds during the past week. The main facts of the debate within the cabinet became promptly known, particularly the fact that Premier Asquith proposed to introduce a compulsion bill and also the fact that the cabinet is in favor of the enlistment of all unmarried men, who failed to respond to Lord Derby's call for recruits.

A small portion of the liberal press strongly opposes Premier Asquith's supposed policy. The Nation accuses David Lloyd-George, minister of munitions, of betraying the liberal traditions of voluntary service and declares that his influence has shifted the balance in the cabinet.

Sir John A. Simon, secretary of the home affairs, has not yet retired from the cabinet, his resignation being held in abeyance, according to today's raports. It is believed that Reginal McKenna chancellor of the exchequer, and Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, who opposed conscription on financial grounds, have decided to remain with the cabinet.

Groups 6 to 9 of the Derby enlistment plan, which include single men from 24 to 27 years of age, probably will be called to arms on February 1.

Rumania is Active.

Rumania is concentrating her army corps on the Bulgarian frontiers, according to French wireless reports.

Sunday is to be observed as a day of intercession throughout the United Kingdom, when prayers for victory will be offered in every church and chapel of all creeds. Collections for sick and wounded soldiers will be taken.

TELLS OF AIR FIGHT.

Battle 9,000 Feet in Air is Described by German in Letter Home.

Berlin, Jan. 1, (By Wireless to Sayville)—"An exciting air fight," says the Overseas News Agency, "is reported by a German soldier in a letter to his family. The company of the writer of

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STILL SEARCH FOR NEGRO MURDERERS

Angry Georgia White Man Patrol River Swamp

RANKS ARE INCREASED

Men in Automobiles Rushed to Join Searchers—Half Dozen Negro Lodge Buildings in Early County Burned Down.

Blakeley, Ga., Jan. 1.—Men bent upon finding two of the negroes accused of the murder of Henry J. Villipique, a white overseer whose death near here Wednesday resulted in the death of six negroes at the hands of angry whites, still beat up and down the Chattahoochee river swamp west of here tonight.

Outwardly the county was quiet but the appearance of two automobiles carrying armed men through town en route to the scene of recent negro killings, and the arrest of a negro who was threatened by whites, momentarily created excitement here late today. The automobiles, as far as could be learned, bore men who were joining persistent searchers in the river bottoms who are seeking Mike and Ulysses Goolsby, two negroes connected with the Villipigue killing and who, it is generally believed have escaped either to Alabama or Florida.

Threats today which caused the arrests of Gus Stringer, a negro, were said to have been made against him, because he warned two white men not to search land back of his house for a missing mule. He was kept in jail tonight for his own safety. Negroes who had slept on back porches or in kitchens of homes of white persons and who kept off the streets this morning, gradually began to venture forth and late today many were seen about the town. In the country section west of here where the killings occurred there was no evidence of excitement, but here and there smoke drifted up from the embers of a negro lodge hall. There were half a dozen in Early county three days ago and it was said that as far as could be learned tonight none had been left standing.

Reports that negro organizations had plotted Villipigue's death because he whipped a son of Grandison Goolsby, one of the negroes accused later of having a hand in the killing of Villipigue, caused all lodge buildings except one to be burned, it is said. The one that escaped fire was torn down by negroes to prevent their homes nearby from being burned should it be set on fire. Sheriff Howell today ordered into custody Charles Holmes, a negro reported by his father, Jacob Holmes, to have become mentally deranged as the result of his cabin being burned when Grandison Goolsby took refuge in it.

Many Alabama citizens from just across the state line, who rushed to the rescue of H. H. Grimsley last night when an erroneous report was spread that his life was threatened by negroes returned to their homes today. Some, however, joined the searchers in the swamps.

Two automobiles carrying men who sought the Goolsby negroes at or near Greenwood, Fla., returned tonight. The negroes had not been found.

ATTEMPT MADE TO BLOW UP STATE HOUSE AT BOSTON

Bomb of Four Pounds of Dynamite Found Attached to Basement Door.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 1.—An unsuccessful attempt to dynamite the state house was made today. A bomb containing four pounds of explosive was attached to a basement door and a fuse had been lighted, but the flame apparently died before reaching the detonator.

Tarred rope used as a fuse, according to investigators, indicated that the bomb was the work of a novice.

A scrub woman discovered the bomb this morning. The police took it to a suburb and there discharged the dynamite. It showed a high explosive force.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 1.—Alfred Benson, former United States Senator from Kansas, and a former justice of the state supreme court, died of paralysis at the home of his daughter here today. He was 72 years old and a Union Civil war veteran.

New York, Jan. 1.—Dr. Joseph O'Connell, health officer of the port of New York, died today from cancer of the stomach. Dr. O'Connell was appointed by former Governor Dix in February, 1912. He was 49 years old.

MOTHERS--YOUR CHILDREN'S HAIR NEEDS CARE

Seeds of Baldness Come Often From Neglect in Youth.

The hair of some children is naturally backward in healthy development. Growing up so fast, mental and bodily development of these boys and girls makes tremendous demands upon their vital forces. And oftentimes, when there is not enough of that vital force to supply all needs, it is the hair which suffers. Dry, dull, brittle, lifeless-looking hair and dandruff is the result and Mother is distressed because of its lack of beauty.

Parisian Sage is the ideal hair and scalp treatment for growing children as many mothers can testify. This delicate and wholesome scalp vitalizer is entirely harmless and its nourishing ingredients supply just the elements of nutrition that properly invigorate the hair and scalp, dissolve dandruff and promote healthy normal hair growth.

Many mothers have become personal users of Parisian Sage because of the good it has done their children. Certainly a preparation that is tender and wholesome enough to invigorate baby's scalp is a preparation well suited for mother, too. Parisian Sage is sold by R. R. Bellamy and many other good druggists, and the cost in trifling.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effect Laxative Bromo Quinine can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness nor ringing in the head. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature is on box. 25c

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the letter was on the march when two rapidly flying aeroplanes were noticed at an altitude of 9,000 feet.

"Suddenly, the soldier says, the machines of the aeroplanes stopped and the report of machine guns was heard. A moment later a dark object fell from one of the aeroplanes, and as it came closer to earth it was recognized as a human body. It was that of one of the pilots. A short time later the aeroplane fell to the ground and the other occupant died almost immediately.

"Many German soldiers and a great French crowd presently hurried to the place where the aeroplane had fallen and when they approached the machine and saw the tri-colors painted on its wings, the German soldiers cheered as the writer never before had heard. The French men and women went away crying.

"Both officers were buried with military honors and in the presence of all the officers a salute was fired over the graves.

"Afterward it became known that the successful German airman was Lieut. Inglemann, who has shot down six hostile aeroplanes."

REVEALS INTERESTING FACTS.

Comparisons of Population of the Central Powers and the Allies.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—(By wireless to Sayville)—Among the news items prepared today by the Overseas News Agency, for transmission abroad, was the following:

"Interesting statistics are published today by the Tageblatt. The newspaper's tabulation shows that the populations of the Entente Powers August 1, 1914, amounted to 230,000,000 while the inhabitants of the Central Powers totaled 116,000,000.

"On January 1, 1916, the Entente Powers have populations totaling 196,000,000, while the Central Powers have 150,000,000.

"The newspaper also points out that about 500,000 square kilometers (319,500 square miles) have been occupied which area is nearly as much as the whole of Germany."

LARGE FORCES GATHER.

Austro-German Armies in Southeastern Galicia Number 1,500,000 Men.

London, Jan. 1.—Large forces of Germans and Austrians have been brought up for the battle now in progress in eastern Galicia. A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says:

"A great battle or series of linked battles, is proceeding on the southwestern front. The Austro-German armies, under Field Marshal von Mackensen and General Pflanger, which are engaged from the Pripet river to the Rumanian frontier are estimated at 1,500,000 men.

"Only fragmentary news of the fighting has been received but it is stated authoritatively that the Austro-German forces have made progress nowhere; that the Russians have retired nowhere and that such changes as have occurred on this front have been to the advantage of the Russians."

WILL NOT ENLARGE ARMY

Belief of German Military Writer Regarding British Conscription.

Berlin, Jan. 1, (by Wireless to Sayville).—"Major Morant, military correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt, considers that two events stand out of the calm general situation," says the Overseas News Agency, "these being British conscription and the Russian offensive on the Bessarabian front.

"The military writer believes the British compulsory service," the agency adds, "to be a measure destined to throw dust into the eyes of England's satellites and that the British will, by no means, be larger in the future.

"Major Moraht is of the opinion that the proposed bill is further intended for the satisfatcion of French exigencies since, according to French reports, it is to be understood that General Joffre, the French commander, sent a sort of ultimatum to the British war office.

"The Russian offensive is believed by Major Moraht to be due principally to the situation resulting from the arrival in Russia recently of Anglo-French inspectors."

NOT A SINGLE TRUSTIE BUT RETURNED PROMPTLY

So Far as Reported and Reports Are About All In.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 1.—With nearly all of the reports from officers in charge of convicts in, Governor Craig has yet to learn of a single instance where a "trusty" failed to return promptly to his convict headquarters after his Christmas parole. And the only trouble yet reported was in the case of two convicts in Buncombe county who became involved in a slight difficulty at Asheville, but made prompt return to camp, and the case of one convict in Durham county, who, according to camp superintendent, became "somewhat drammy."

The Governor received the official report from the State's prison authorities today as to the result of the Christmas parole with the State convicts. At Ridgecrest, Captain Watson, in charge, three convicts spent the parole period with their families and three went to Asheville. At Bat Cave, Captain Stanley in charge, seven were paroled to visit their families. At the Statesville camp, Captain Gaither, four were paroled. At the Elkin & Alleghany railroad, Captain Ewing, there were two paroled, but being too far from home, they spent the time in Elkin. At the Balden camp, Captain Busbee, four were entitled to parole, but only one made a trip home. There was only one "trusty" paroled at the Watauga camp, Captain Height in charge.

The State's prison authorities expressed much gratification at the outcome of Governor Craig's sensational experience.

MANLEY W. TYREE IS DEAD.

Former President National Photographers' Association Passes.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 1.—Manley W. Tyree, for several terms secretary and then president of the National Photographers' Association and photographer to the North Carolina General Assembly for a number of years, died this afternoon at 4 o'clock in Bloomsbury Sanitorium, where he had been under treatment for several days for gastritis. He had been very ill for four days but had improved somewhat when the end came suddenly from heart failure.

Mr. Tyree was born in Kentucky in 1877 and had lived in Raleigh more than ten years, serving several terms as head of the Rotary Club and taking a lively interest in the commercial and civic life. He leaves a widow and three children. The funeral arrangements are not yet announced.

Warm War Wirelets

Vienna, via London, Jan. 1.—Count Salis-Seewis, at present military commander at Vienna, has been appointed governor general of Serbia.

Berlin, via London, Jan. 1.—Russian forces which have been conducting an important offensive movement in Eastern Galicia have been flanked and repulsed, the war office announced today.

Berlin, Jan. 1. (By Wireless to Sayville)—Emperor William has conferred the Red Cross medal of the first class on Prince Ferdinand of Bavaria for special merit in attending wounded and sick soldiers.

RECEPTION TO PAN-AMERICAN DELEGATES AT CLOSE OF WEEK.

Function Marks Trend Toward Cultivation of Closer Relations.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The first week of the Pan-American Scientific Congress ended tonight with a reception to delegates by the board of governors of the Pan-American convention. The function, held at the Pan-American building, was of a semi-official character and reflected prominently the marked trend toward cultivation of closer relations between the American Republics which has characterized all of the sessions of the congress.

Among specific developments of the week's sessions the delegates have been particularly impressed by Secretary Lansing's advocacy in an address of a Pan-Americanism, that would mean "one for all, all for one," and by the speech of Elihu Root, a former Secretary of State, in which he told the Latin-American delegates that "so long as the spirit of American freedom shall continue, it shall range us side by side with you, great and small, for the maintenance of the rights of nations." The formal proposal made by the United States early in the week for a Pan-American convention for arbitration of boundary disputes and to prohibit shipments of arms to revolutionaries also continued tonight an absorbing topic of conversation among delegates. There was no session of the congress today.

Tomorrow several Washington churches will hold special services for visiting Latin-Americans.

COLLECTIONS WERE GOOD.

Marked Improvement in Water and Sewerage Department Since Change.

There was an increase of more than 20 per cent in the collections of the water and sewerage department of the city of Wilmington for the quarter which ended December 31st, the exact amount being $3,024.98 over the preceding quarter. This was the first quarter since the collections have been made in the office of Capt. Thos. D. Meares, city clerk and treasurer, and Councilman McCaig in charge of the department of finance is very much pleased with the results obtained.

Captain Meares stated yesterday that he thought one reason for the marked increase in the collections and the small amount yet remaining due was owing to the fact that no second notice is now sent out. All bills of the department are due to be paid by the 15th of each month and if left unpaid by the 20th, the water is cut off.

The collections for the water department for the last quarter were $13,991.56, as compared with $11,527.27 for the preceding quarter while the collections for sewerage were $3,978.84 as compared with $3,301.75 for the quarter ending September 30th.

Councilman McCaig feels that the showing made has amply justified making the change to the office of the city clerk and treasurer. Mr. W. G. Woodcock, bookkeeper in the office, has rendered most efficient service in looking after these collections.

PROMINENT TOBACCO MAN DIES.

George Cameron, Nativet of Scotland, is Dead at Petersburg, Va.

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 1.—George Cameron died here early today in his 76th year. He was born in Scotland but came to Petersburg with his parents when only eight years of age. He and two elder brothers entered into tobacco manufacturing when very young and built up an enormous business, owning factories in this city and Richmond, Melbourne and Adelaide, Australia. Some years ago they disposed of their American factories to the American Tobacco Company, but retained their Australian factories which manufacture practically all the cigars, cigarettes and smoking and chewing tobacco consumed in Australia.

Mr. Cameron never became a naturalized citizen, but served in the Confederate army and was a prisoner of war for some months at Elmira, N. Y., declining to give a pledge not to serve against the United States if released. Finally set free on representations of Lord Lyons, British minister, Mr. Cameran, next to Thomas F. Ryan, was the wealthiest resident of Virginia.

MONOTONOUS BUSINESS, SURE

Noted Photographer Waits at Cape Hatteras for Wreck.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Jan. 1.—H. M. Wychoff, a noted photographer, has discovered that waiting at Cape Hatteras for a wreck is a montonous piece of business. Wychoff went to Hatteras in the belief that ships went ashore there and pounded to piece in the Graveyard of the Atlantic" with some frequency. The lightship not so long stationed off the outer shoal prevents shipping from going on the shoals so often nowadays, however, and Wychoff has not gotten his pictures of a wreck and but a slim chance of getting them, it is believed. He is but recently back from Siberia. He accompanied a Smithsonian Institution party of scientists into the wilds of the Kilima river country, 900 miles from Alaska, as official photographer. The party spent several years in territory as large as Germany and Austria put together governor by a Russian officer, and located many fossil remains of prehistoric animals.

DAVID DUNLOP DIES.

Formerly Owned Some of Best Trotters and Runners on Race Track.

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 1.—David Dunlop, of this city, died at his country home near heer tonight. Death was very sudden, and was due to heart disease. He was 40 yearn of age and son of the late David Dunlop, one of the best known tobacco manufacturers in Virginia. Dunlop formerly owned some of the best known trotters and runners on the race track, but recently disposed of the greater portion of his stables. He was one-third owner of the plug tobacco business of the British-American Tobacco Company. He leaves a widow and two sons.

Sandusky, Ohio, Jan. 1.—Cal Delaney knocked out Sammy Taylor, of Detroit, in the seventh round of their scheduled 12-round bout here this afternoon.

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$20.00 Coat Suits, now	10.00	$15.00 Coats, now	$ 7.50	$18.00 Dresses, now	$ 9.00
$22.50 Coat Suits, now	$11.25	$16.00 Coats, now	$ 8.00	$20.00 Dresses, now	$10.00
$25.00 Coat Suits, now	$12.50	$18.50 Coats, now	$ 9.25	$22.50 Dresses, now	$11.00
$27.50 Coat Suits, now	$13.75	$20.00 Coats, now	$10.00	$25.00 Dresses, now	$12.50
$30.00 Coat Suits, now	$15.00	$22.50 Coats, now	$11.25	$27.50 Dresses, now	$13.75
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EMPLOYES HAVE BIG BANQUET

Tidewater Power Company Provides Feast—Officials Make Addresses. Mr. Hunt Promoted.

Optimism, good fellowship and all that helps to make life worth while were in evidence at the annual New Year's banquet of the Tidewater Power Company for its employes of every department last evening on the third floor of the Bear building near Front and Princess streets, which was recently leased for the transportation offices of this corporation. It was a fraternal gathering. All of the officers from the president down were there and not one of the employes was left out.

Messrs. H. M. Bremer and W. B. Schuler had charge of the eating end and they had provided a'plenty and some to spare. It was appetizing food, too, just the kind that a man likes to eat. Refreshments were not forgotten—but there was nothing stronger than coffee and grape juice. The food was plied high upon the tables and everyone was told to help himself. This they did.

There were no formal addresses, in fact, it might be said that there were none but Mr. Hugh MacRae, president of the Tidewater Power Company; Mr. A. B. Skelding, general manager, and Mr. Raymond Hunt, until last night superintendent of the electrical department, each made a few remarks that were in keeping with the occasion.

Mr. Skelding made the pleasing announcement that Mr. Hunt, who has served so efficiently as superintendent of the electrical department for a number of years, had been promoted to assistant general manager and assumed his new duties, and this was greeted with warm applause. Mr. Hunt was kept busy receiving the congratulations of those present.

Mr. Hunt was called on for a speech but modestly refrained from saying more than that he would in the future as in the past try to do his best.

Mr. MacRae had another announcement to make that was of pleasing interest to the motormen and conductors. He stated that the third floor of the transportation offices would be used as a recreation room for the employes of the company. Books and periodicals will be furnished and tables provided for games. He told the men of his appreciation of the splendid service that they are rendering and expressed the wish that everyone present might have a prosperous and happy New Year.

There was a delightful musical programme by Fenley's orchestra during the evening. Several of the city's best musicians were secured to help to make the hour more pleasant. They did their part well. It was well towards midnight when the feast ended and the men went home with cordial good will towards all the world.

There are a hundred or more employes of the Tidewater Power Company in Wilmington and practically all of them were present last night.

INSPECTOR AIKEN AT HOME.

Given Glad Hand by Home Town Friends While Visiting There.

Mr. Hazel R. Aiken, city food inspector, who is spending the holidays with relatives at Hickory, was given the glad hand by the friends of his home town. The following is from the Hickory Record:

"The Record had a pleasant call from Mr. Hazel R. Aiken, food inspector for the city of Wilmington, who is here on a visit to his father, Postmaster J. H. Aiken. The young man was city editor of the Wilmington Star before accepting his present position, and The Record knows that he was always on the job with the stuff. His newspaper training fitted him for a better position, which he is holding with credit. But then Hickory boys always can do things."

DEATH OF MRS. E. V. FAULK.

Beloved Wife from Whiteville Section Passed Yesterday.

The death of Mrs. E. V. Faulk, wife of Mr. L. L. Faulk, of the Whiteville section, which occurred yesterday morning at the James Walker Memorial Hospital, where she had been brought for treatment, brought sorrow to many friends.

Mrs. Faulk was 32 years of age and is survived by many sorrowing relatives besides her bereaved husband. The remains were sent yesterday afternoon to Whiteville where funeral and burial will be today.

Wilmington Shoe Co., Contest.

The boys and girls winning prizes in the Wilmington Shoe Company's Red Riding Hood Composition contest, are as follows: For children under nine years of age, first prize, $3, Louise Fonvielle, age six, No. 219 Walnut street; second prize, $2, Nina King, age eight years, No. 1511 Castle street; third prize, $1, Master L. E. Sykes, age nine years, No. 130 South Ninth street; for children over nine years, first prize, $3, Carrie Taylor, age 10 years, No. 803 Orange street; second prize, $2, Mildred Fearington, age 11 years, No. 811 Dock street; third prize, $1, Nida Davis, age 11 years, No. 8 Wrightsville avenue.

GRAND LECTURER COMING.

Rev. J. W. Rowell, of Grand Lodge, to Visit Wilmington Masons.

Rev. J. W. Rowell, certified lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Masons of North Carolina, will arrive in Wilmington Tuesday and will spend several days in the city as a guest at The Orton. He will meet all the Masons in the city at Masonic Temple on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at an informal reception.

He comes to Wilmington at the request of St. John's Lodge, No. 1; Wilmington Lodge, No. 319, and Orient Lodge, No. 395, and will remain here for about ten days to give lectures in the Stephenson work, which is the only system permitted under the constitution of the Grand Lodge to be taught or conferred.

Night and day sessions will be held daily and will be open to all affiliated Master Masons in order that they may become proficient in the proper work. Notice of these meetings will be given through the columns of the papers of the city.

AGED NEGRO DIES MYSTERIOUSLY.

Coroner A. S. Holden Thought Inquest Unnecessary.

Hagar McRee, an aged colored woman, was found dead yesterday in her home, No. 111 Wooster street, by a little colored girl that stayed with her.

She had been in ill health for some time and lives alone except for the small child that stays with her, her children all being off at work. The child yesterday informed the neighbors that she couldn't wake the old woman, whereupon the neighbors investigated and found that she was dead.

Coroner A. S. Holden was called, and finding no signs of violence to the body, and hearing of her recent ill health, during which she had not called a doctor on account of the cost, thought an inquest unnecessary.

Foreign Securities Reduced.

Zimmerman & Forshay announce a further reduction in the prices of foreign government securities in their advertisement which appears in another column. This reduction is made possible by the continued decline in the rates of exchange caused by a cessation of exports from the Central European countries to the United States.

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SCHOOL PROGRESS IN ROBESON REMARKABLE

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(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Jan. 1.—The New Year finds much for the people of Lumberton and surrounding country to be thankful for. During the year 1915 bountiful crops were made, for which good prices were obtained, and conditions are far better than a year ago, although there is still room for much improvement. While many farmers have been able to relieve themselves to a great extent of the debts which they could not pay the year before, there still remain a great many who have not been able to catch up and the time merchants are still loaded carrying those who could not make good during the past year.

The National Bank of Lumberton and First National Bank each has over $100,000 more money on deposit than they had a year ago, while the Farmers' and Merchants Bank has more than double the amount it had a year ago, so that it will be seen that there is much more money here now than a year ago.

Our people have much to be thankful for from a health standpoint, as last year was a remarkable one for good health. This condition has been brought about by faithful work of health officials and hearty co-operation of most of our people. One of the best investments the county ever made was the employment of a physician to devote his entire time to the betterment of health conditions.

Christmas passed off quietly here, only one incident occurring during the day to need the attention of the police. There was one little scrap which cost one young man a fine of $25 and costs, and was also required to give a $400 justified bond for good behavior. The weather was ideal and the people generally enjoyed the day. By actual count there was left over at the express office Christmas night 367 quarts of liquor, but much of it has been delivered during the week. The best order has prevailed throughout the county during the holidays that we can recall during any like period.

Notable Educational Progress.

From County Superintendent of Education J. R. Poole the following interesting figures regarding the county schools are obtained: Twelve years ago the county school property was valued at only $15,499, while the average length of term in white schools was 3 1-3 months; colored 2 1-2 months; Indian 2 3-10 months; number of children enrolled 9,569. The total school fund then was $23,664.

Now the school property in Robeson is valued at $190,656; the average term for white schools for the year is 7 1-2 months; colored 5 2-3 months; Indian 5 1-3 months; census of children in rural schools is 15,469, with an enrollment of 13,038. In the county there are 64 special school tax districts, about 100 schools receiving additional funds from this source. The school funds for this year from general county fund is $46,829.09; special taxes $36,589.26; from State special $250,000 apportionment, $5,812.40; from the State Equalizing fund, $7,892.52; making a total of $95,823.27.

Seventy-five schools in the county have libraries in which there are over 4,000 books selected by the State Department of Education. Within the past few years over $100,000 has been used for building and furnishing modern, up-to-date school buildings in the Rowland, Red Springs, Philadelphus, Lumber Bridge, St. Pauls and Parkton districts. Every school in the county is in session, employing 265 teachers, and there are more children in school in the county now than ever before.

Ladies Exchange Proposed.

Mrs. Anne Laney, of Cheraw, S. C., has been here this week canvassing the town in the interest of a ladies' exchange which she proposes to establish here if she receives the proper encouragement. This will undoubtedly be a great thing for the house-keepers if they will co-operate in the matter. Mrs. Laney expects to be ready to open the exchange about January 15, and will occupy the new McIntyre store next door north of Mr. M. N. Folger.

The patrons of the postoffice and express office are certainly due the officials and clerks in these places the most profound thanks for their prompt and courteous service rendered during the holiday rush.

After missing an issue so the whole force could have three working days off for Christmas, The Robesonian came out again Thursday on time. Notwithstanding the depression in business during the past year, the old paper has maintained a good advertising patronage which it deserves. No one rejoices at the success and prosperity of The Robesonian more than does The Star man. Editor Sharpe and his able assistant, Mr. Grover Britt, are giving the people of Robeson a newspaper which every loyal citizen should feel proud of. In the mechanical department is the best all-round force which has ever gotten the paper out, all sober, genteel good fellows, who have th interest of the paper as much at heart as though they were stockholders.

The Seaboard has discontinued the Pullman service from Atlanta to Wilmington, so that when people going from here to Atlanta want a sleeper they will have to wait until they arrive at Hamlet to be accommodated.

Stuck in the Mud.

Messrs. K. M. Biggs, H. M. McAllister, and Louis Shelby made a business trip to Howellsville Tuesday evening, and when near Regans' church, 8 or 10 miles from town, the automobile went down in the mud to the hubs. After working for several hours they got out of the mud in time to reach home at 4 o'clock in the morning.

Superintendent McNeill, of the light plant, had on exhibition last night a number of electric bulbs which had been put out of commission by air rifles. If there is a greater nuisance anywhere than the air rifle we have failed to find what it is. Te mayor has instructed the police to arrest every boy caught on the street with a rifle and let the recorde rhave a chance at hime.

Stockholders of the Lumberton Hotel Company have been called to meet next Friday night, January 7.

Messrs. "Sandy" McLeod and S. S. Stephens went to Charlotte Wednesday night and returned Thursday via the automobile route, each driving a new car.

Eggs Down to 20 Cents.

The price of eggs has fallen to 20 cents per dozen. One merchant who put them up a month ago, paying 35 cents, was phoning around this week trying to sell them for 25 cents.

Some very uncomplimentary remarks were made about town authorities because they refused to reduce the tax on fireworks, causing no sale as no one would pay the tax. The town people are largely in favor of cutting out fireworks altogether, thereby stopping the useless burning of hundreds of dollars which, on the present occasion at least, has been saved to be spent in a sane way. Read the fireworks reports of damages in other places during the past ten days, and then decide which is best. No one has been hurt here from the use of fireworks.

Thirty-nine years ago this day, this whole country was in the grasp of a blizzard, everything being wrapped in snow and ice, and on that day the writer contracted a severe case of diptheria which came near proving fatal, and which still gives him slight trouble at times.

The waste house at the National Cotton Mills was destroyed here this afternoon about 2 o'clock, entailing a loss of about $300. The fire is supposed to have started from spontaneous combustion.

Christmas Clubs Large.

Mr. C. V. Brown, cashier of the National Bank of Lumberton, says that the membership of their 1916 "Christmas club" is already more than double that of last year. Mr. H. M. McAllister, cashier of the First National Bank, says that although his bank has now inauguarated the "Christmas club" system for the first time, the membership is highly gratifying, the number of people joining being far greater than was anticipated. The banks of Lumberton are ready and willing to help those who show a disposition to help themselves. The "Christmas Club" system has certainly been a blessing to many in this vicinity.

Next Monday being the first Monday in the year, all county boards will be in session, and the usual "first Monday in the year" crowd is expected in town that day. That is generally a big day here.

Mr. George M. Whitfield has moved from the Caldwell building on Elm street to the new Anderson building on Second street.

Mr. J. A. Green, Jr., left Thursday for Birmingham, Ala., where he will be connected with The Birmingham News, one of the largest papers published in the South. Mr. Green has had considerable experience, his last work being on The News and Observer, and is well qualified for the work.

Gets Prize for Decoration.

Mention was made two Sundays ago of the beautifully decorated window of the Pope Drug Company. Mr. Regan McIntyre, the decorator, won fourth prize in the United States offered by the Nunnally Candy Company. Mr. McIntyre will receive a $5 cash prize.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hartley and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Johnson returned from their bridal trips this week. Mr. and Mrs. Hartley are boarding with Mrs. Daily Jenkins and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson with Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Johnson.

Today was observed as a holiday by the postoffice and banks. The rural carriers also observed the day.

Watch night was observed here last night by more people than ever before. The weather was pleasant and the young people were out in large numbers. Many of them remained at the picture show until 12 o'clock, it remaining open until that hour to take care of all who would come late. At 12 o'clock the different bells in town announced the passing of the old and entering of the New Year.

Not a Candidate Yet.

Having seen the name of Mayor A. E. White mentioned several times as a probable candidate for State senator at the next election, your correspondent interviewed him, and was told that it was too early yet to decide. Mr. White said he was considering the matter and would probably be a candidate. He would look after the interests of his people if elected, but Lumberton needs him at home.

W. S. W.

NEWBERN'S BEST YEAR CLOSED

Made More Progress in 1915 Than in Any Previous Year.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Newbern, N. C., Jan. 1.—The year 1915 has been one of moment to Newbern. It has witnessed the upbuilding of the city and its suburban sections, the increasing of its population and the inoculation of its citizens with that "never say die" spirit and in consequence Newbern has in the past twelve months forged more to the front than has been the case in that length of time in the entire history of the city.

Many new buildings have been erected, among these being St. Luke's hospital, an imposing structure at the corner of Broad and George streets, the Banner tobacco warehouse, scores of dwelling houses and a number of stores.

In the city proper, one lumber mill, that owner by Charles H. Hall, has been erected while the other mills in the city and suburbs have undergone improvements.

There has been much improvement made to local streets while many miles of roads have been built leading out from the city and the Newbern section is now getting in a class with those of the "better roads" variety and this is proving of real worth to the city.

Another thing that was most noticeable during the year, was the return of prosperity. Low prices for crops in 1914 affected this section greatly and this had a tendency to make money a little "tight." This condition has entirely disappeared and prosperity is now evident on all sides.

ARRESTED WITH HIS FIANCEE

Rufus Barnes, Charged With Forgery, to Have Married Wednesday.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 1.—Rufus Barnes, a white man, who is said to be a native of Wilson and who was arrested in this city last week, charged with forging a check to the amount of $157 on a Smithfield bank, had made better progress in this city than the police dreamed of at the time of his arrest. It came to light today that Barnes was to have married a popular Goldsboro young lady, whom he met in Smithfield and won her affections—the marriage to have taken place at the young lady's home in this city, Wednesday night of this week. He was in the city to spend Christmas with his fiancee and was in company with her when arrested.

Charity begins with forgetfulness of injuries, and ends with remembrances to grant favors.

In the fleet of life, the flagship is smiles; giggles are only a breeze that pushes the ship along.

Man's greatest fall is when he is not content to be a man.

SUNDAY SERVICES

First Baptist church, corner Market and Fifth streets, Rev. W. M. Craig, acting pastor—Sunday school in the morning at 9:45, Mr. D. H. Howes, superintendent. Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Sermon subjects: morning, "The Prosperity of the Soul;" evening, "Prepared, for What?" B. Y. P. U. will meet in the evening at 6:30; Miss Nellie Pickard, leader. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 8. All will find a hearty welcome at these services.

Calvary Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor—Services in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Boys' Club and Junior B. Y. P. U. meets at 10 in the morning. Deacons' meeting at 3 in the afternoon. Sunday school at 3:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday night. Teachers' meeting and Senior B. Y. P. U Thursday night. A cordial welcome to all services.

St. Matthew's Lutheran church, Fourth and Harnett streets, Rev. G. W. McClanahan, pastor.—Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Sermon subjects: Morning, "The Adoration of Simeon;" evening, "He Became Poor for Us." Sunday school in the afternoon at 3:30. Wednesday evening service at 8. Woman's Missionary meeting Thursday afternoon at 3:30. All most cordially invited to these services.

St. Paul's Episcopal church, Sixteenth and Market streets, Rev. E. de F. Heald, Jr., rector—Sunday school in the morning at 9:45. Holy Communion and sermon at 11. Evening prayer and sermon at 8 (Question Box). All seats free. A cordial welcome to everybody.

St. James' church, Rev. W. H. Milton, D.D., rector—Service, sermon and Holy Communion at 11 in the morning. Organ recital at 7:30. Evening prayer and sermon at 8. Everybody cordially welcomed to come and bring a friend.

Christian church, Dock street, Rev. J. E. Reynolds, pastor—Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8. All cordially invited to attend all the services.

Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Rev. J. H. Shore, pastor—Sunday school in the morning at 9:45. Preaching at 11 and in the evening at 7:30 by the pastor. A cordial welcome to all.

Grace Methodist church, Rev. M. T. Plyler, pastor—Preaching by the pastor in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Each evening during the week at 8 o'clock prayer and revival services will be held. A cordial invitation is given all to attend these services thin first week of t he New Year.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, Rev. F. B. Clausen, pastor — German communion service at 11 in the morning. English service at 8 in the evening. Subject of the sermon: "If God Will." Sunday school meets at 3:30 in the afternoon. Visitors always welcome. Dorcas Society and Luther League meetings this week.

Christian Science Society, church edifice Seventeenth and Market streets: Services in the morning at 11. Subject, "God." Sunday school at 12:15. Testimonial meeting Wednesday evening at 8:15. Free reading room in the Murchison National Bank building, open daily, except Sundays and holidays, from 4 to 6:30 in the afternoon. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Fifth avenue and Ann streets. First mass in the morning at 7. Last mass and sermon at 10:30. Vespers in the evening at 8.

Southside Baptist church, corner of Fifth avenue and Wooster street, Rev. W. G. Hall, pastor—Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Subject, "The New Year Benediction." Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock, subject, "The Glory of the Second Mile." Sermons by the pastor. Sunday school at 3, Mr. J. M. Batson, superintendent. Communion at the close of the morning service. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to worship with us.

H. C. WHITE, HURT IN WRECK ON SOUTHERN RAILROAD, DIES

Eleven Others Injured When "Augusta Special" Runs Into Freight.

Charlottesville, Va., Jan. 1.—H. C. White, of Statesville, N. C., an express messenger on the Southern Railway "Augusta Special", died in a hospital here today from injuries received last midnight when the passenger train southbound ran into a through freight standing at the junction of the double-track, two miles north of Shipman. Eleven other persons were injured, none seriously. The accident was caused by the operator throwing the wrong switch. The list of the injured follows:

Julia Carr, Lynchburg, Va.; Nomia Hill, Catawba, N. C.; Miss Frank Hall, Alexandria, Va.; W. R. Swearinger, Edgefield, S. C.; Joe Grant, Columbia, S. C.; Rio Hickman, Charlotte, N. C.; T. C. Bruce, engineer; James Nobel, fireman; W. S. Angel, engineer; G. R. Yewell, fireman; two Pullman porters.

Fireman Nobel sustained a broken hip and Fireman Yewell had his left leg injured.

RECORD SHOWS 69 PERSONS WERE LYNCHED DURING 1915.

Of This Number Eighteen Occurred in the State of Georgia.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 1.—Monroe N. Work, head of the department of records and research of Tuskegee Institute, in his annual report shows that during the year 1915 there have occurred 69 lynchings. Of those lynched 55 were negroes and 14 whites. In 1914 the record was 49 negroes and three whites. Included in the record are three women. In at least four instances it latwr developed that the persons put to death were innocent of the offenses charged. Eighteen, or more than one-fourth of the total lynchings, occurred in the state of Georgia.

Only 11, ten negroes and one white, or 15 per cent of the total, were charged with rape.

Lynchings occurred in the following states: Alabama 9; Arkansas 5; Florida 5; Georgia 18; Illinois 1; Kentucky, 5; Louisiana, 2; Mississippi, 9; Missouri, 2; Ohio, 1; Oklahoma, 3; South Carolina, 1; Tennessee, 2; Texas, 5; Virginia 1.

FIGHT CALLED OFF.

Disagreement Over Division of Purse in Willard-Fulton Bout.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—The ten round contest between Jess Willard, the heavyweight champion, and Fred Fulton, of Rochester, Minn., which Thomas S. Andrews of Milwaukee, planned to stage on February 22, has been declared off. A division of the $25,000 purse caused the disagreement.

WESTERN VIEW OF BUSINESS CONDITIONS ENCOURAGING.

Various Industries Along the Pacific Coast Enjoying Prosperity.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Business and financial conditions on the Pacific coast have shown great recuperation from the depression prevailing a year ago. In a review of the situation the Wells Fargo Nevada National Bank of San Francisco says in part: The year is ending under conditions which indicate that the coming 12 months will be an exceptionally interesting period in the financial history of the United States. The public is evincing its confidence in the future by purchasing more securities than it has bought at this season in many years, and the country's bank position is so strong as to make possible an expansion of world-trade upon a scale never before attempted by American business men.

Some $18,000,000 of railroad and industrial bonds mature this month and nearly $150,000,000 in December dividend and interest payments is being disbursed. The January disbursements—for dividends and interest—will reach about $230,000,000 and most of this fund will probably be reinvested. Since the month opened numerous corporations and institutions have increased their dividend disbursements in consequence of the highly profitable business they have done.

An encouraging increase in the volume of retail trade noted at various commercial centers within the last fortnight reflects the greatly increased purchasing power of the people. There are very few idle men in the country today and relatively few idle cars. In contrast with conditions existing a year ago, when the railroads were complaining of poor business, the story now is of a record grain movement in the agricultural sections with congestion of freight at the great terminal centers. It is said that 50 times the freight room available on the trans-Atlantic liners could be employed to good advantage were it possible to increase shipping facilities to that extent. As it is railroad traffic is heavily congested at seaport points and it is not easy to see how the situation can be immediately relieved.

A new influence has been injected in the grain markets through the action of the Canadian government in seizing an immense quantity of high and medium grade wheat for war uses. The relatively high price of cotton has done much for the South, where still higher quotations are looked for with an increased export demand. The government figures show a 5,000,000 bale reduction, this year's production being the smallest since 1909; but with prices of 12 1-2 cents a pound compared with 7 1-2 cents last year and considering that the South raised this year an unusual amount of diversified products in addition to cotton, that section of the country is doing very well. Steadily advancing prices for steel products have not curtailed business and foreign buyers are bidding high premiums with little effect. The business now offering from domestic sources is sufficient to keep the mills busy for months to come. Contracts for finished steel to be delivered eight or nine months hence are being booked. The pressure of business is so great that some steel manufacturers will not take orders for delivery during the first half of 1916. The increase in unfilled orders, 1,024,000 tons, reported by the United States Steel Corporation during November was with the exception of the gain reported in October, 1912, the largest monthly increase ever shown.

Bank clearings for November were 25 per cent above the November figures of 1912, which was the previous high record for that month. For the cities outside New York city the total was the largest ever reported.

The results of the crop year now closing in California have been very satisfactory. The demand for our agricultural and horticultural products has been and continues to be excellent. And this applies practically to all our products, canned fruits, dried fruits, including prunes and raisins, beans and barley. The salmon pack, especially the higher grades, is being rapidly marketed.

The consumption of oil continues to encroach on existing supplies and new production, indicated by advancing prices in a strictly competitive market. The attitude of the government in respect to some of the titles to oil lands is viewed with considerable apprehension and is, of course, a contributing cause to the increased price of oil products.

The beet sugar production for California in 1915 is estimated at 195,000 tons, compared with the actual production in 1914 of 169,000 tons. The sugar companies have been much encouraged by the recommendation of President Wilson that the remaining duty upon foreign sugars should be retained.

The Pacific coast lumber industry, after several years of inactivity, has begun to show evident signs of improvement. A considerable demand for lumber products has appeared, limited apparently by freight rates on railroad shipment and by the scarcity of tonnage for ocean transportation. It is reasonable to expect that one effect of the conclusion of war in Europe, when that happy time arrives, will be a heavy demand for lumber for rebuilding purposes and the influence of this upon this great industry of our coast may prove to be highly important.

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This 23rd day of December, 1915.

CORNELIA A. ROSE, Administratrix.

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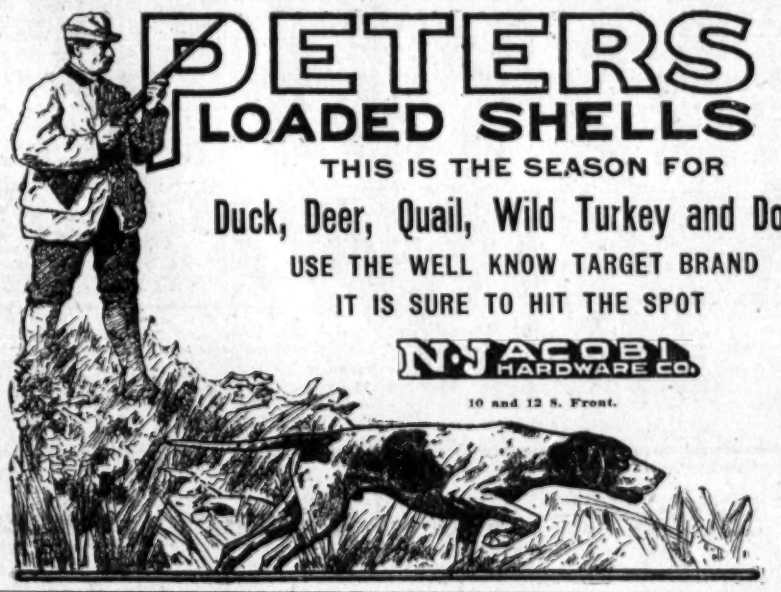

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F. L. HUNT, Sec'y, Asheville, N. C.

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TOP O' THE MORNING

A NEW YEAR RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That I will seek a deeper, more intimate, more loving, and yet more reverent acquaintance with the great God, and our Saviour Jesus Christ. —JOHN W. PRATT.

There is no end of babble.

Have you broke any of them yet?

Where have we seen those resolves before?

The bonds of matrimony are always up to pa.

If you won't try to be happy, try contentment a while.

Don't ever loaf on prosperity and then say there's no such thing.

In the language of Rip Van Winkle, "May you live long and prosper."

No man can round up a thing by simply hanging around.

This is a presidential election year, but we have to work to make a living instead of thinking about running against Wilson for President.

Teddy hasn't said he wants to be President, so far as we know, but it's no use for a fellow to say what he wants when everybody can "see it sticking out."

Wilson and Taft have reason to wonder what in the world it is that keeps on eating Teddy. Just to tell the truth, Teddy is infested with egomaniac canker and it growing on him all the time.

The New York wire tappers recently tapped another man for $20,000. However, he was a Texas stockman who had never heard of the game that far away from New York.

A Texas hermit died recently and left a fortune of $12,000,000. Hermits may be all right, but if we had the bucks you'd never catch us being a hermit as far away as Texas.

On and after tomorrow mobilization is in order for definite, effective work for Wilmington. Faith in Wilmington without works for Wilmington is simply believing and letting it go at that.

Men flatter themselves that by their own genius and effort and frugality they have achieved prosperity. Then along comes the G. O. P. and claims credit for the prosperity that each man has achieved for himself. When either Republicans or Democrats are in power, if a man does not work and save, he comes out at the little end of the horn and all the parties shift off the blame on him.

New England cotton mills have unthoughtedly increased wages, and New York employers have recklessly decided to add millions of dollars to the pay of 200,000 workers who helped to create their wealth. It is a shame to increase wages and thus play thunder with Republican campaign twaddle. Probably the word will forthwith be passed along to others contemplating increasing wages to postpone such action until after the presidential election, as increasing wages is not the proper way for interests which desire a high protective tariff to help the Republican party to get into power so as to give it to them.

Judge Oldfield, of Oklahoma, has rendered a decision to the effect that a man has a right to deny his wife the privilege of dancing. A fellow's wife made a regular habit of going to dances, in spite of the fact that she had promised at the altar to "honor and obey" the old man. He forbade her doing so, but she treated the injunction with disdain, scorn, nonchalance and other things. Her husband took her to law and the judge decided that it was her duty to obey. She decided to the contrary and also decided to go to Reno and get a divorce. We presume it is not necessary to violate neutrality by saying another word about it.

THE STATE'S YOUNGEST JUDGE.

The Hon. Walter Parker Stacy, who took the oath of office in this city yesterday, is the youngest judge on the bench in North Carolina. He is 31 years of age, but his legal attainments, judicial temperament, qualifying ability and exceptionable character led Governor Craig to appoint him judge of the Eighth Judicial district to succeed Judge Rountree, whose resignation took effect yesterday. As the worthy successor of an eminent predecessor on the bench, Judge Stacy will honor the judiciary of the State and wear the ermine unsullied in the discharge of his high duties in the courts of North Carolina.

John J. Furlong, J. P., adminstered the series of oaths necessary for North Carolina judicial officers to take, and Judge Stacy will hold his first court at Warrenton, beginning January 17. The adminstration of the oath was informal, but a few friends were present to extend congratulations to the new judge upon his New Year honor. He had been a member of the Wilmington bar only six years, and it is worthy of note that in so short a time any young lawyer should not only establish a fine reputation in his adopted community but should make for himself a name which Governor Craig regarded as fit to go alongside the eminent names which adorn the judiciary roster of the great State of North Carolina.

Wilmington is not going out of its way to congratulate Judge Stacy upon his elevation to the bench, but the felicitations all come because they have been won by a young lawyer from a people among whom he came as a stranger but a few years ago.

THE SUM TOTAL SUMMARIZED.

The American Mathematical Society held its annual meeting a few days ago at Columbia University, New York. There were sixteen grand addresses. It's no use to give all the subjects, but probably you will be sorry that you couldn't hear Professor Ritt, of Columbia, discuss "The Derivatives of a Function." A little later on he paralyzed 'em with "The Finite Groups of a Class of Functions of a Real Variable." Professor Rowe started something by furnishing a considerable amount of brain pablum with "A New Method of Deriving the Equation of a Rational Plain Cure from Its Parametric Equations." Dr. H. M. Shiffer, of St. Louis, even if he was from the wild and wooly West, made 'em sit up and take notice of "The Reduction of Non-Monadic Relations to Monadic," and also "The Elimination of Modular Existence Postulates."

Now those are what we would call didatic didos of non-detrimental deduction. We are fully satisfied that the sixteen addresses were substantive, parallelogramistic and ne plus ultra, minus nothing. We have often wondered why politicians don't hand out the real stuff like that instead of ranting around on the stump and making the crowd listen to their diabolical diatribes on tariffic and terrific questions, and yet throughout this whole year we just know we've got to listen to their poltroonistic, pestilential pallaverings, their chauvinistic chatterings and their piebald political pibrochs, peradventure.

This has nothing at all to do with the fence law, but it will all dawn upon us when Marion Butler returns to North Carolina accompanied by just as many whiskers as he brought with him in the last campaign. They say he is coming back here to run for an office, but it's the first intimation we have had that the office of dog-pelter is worth a scent along the political trail in Tar Heeldom.

ROBESON'S NOTABLE SCHOOL RECORD.

Truly inspiring is the remarkable story of progress which The Star's Lumberton correspondent tells this morning in figures furnished by County Superintendent J. R. Poole, showing the wonderful growth and development of the educational interests of Robeson county during the last 12 years. The statement made in the Lumberton correspondence that the value of school property in the county has increased in 12 years from $15,499 to $190,656 is really astonishing. Little less creditable is the fact that the average length of school term for whites has been increased from 3 1-3 months to 7 1-2 months during the same period.

Such a showing would be most creditable for a county containing a large city, but when it is considered that Robeson is a large rural county, containing not a municipality with 4,000 population, it is a record in which that county and its energetic, efficient and progressive superintendent may well take great pride. If there is another county with just such a record in the State we happen not to be cognizant of it at the present.

Of course, there are counties with as long average school terms and with as large and larger property value, but they are those counties having large municipalities, and even then their progress has hardly been so notable. The increase in school property value in Robeson has been multiplied by more than 12 in the last 12 years. In other words, the average annual increase for 12 years has been more than 100 per cent of the value 12 years ago.

Twelve years ago Robeson's total school fund was $23,664. This year it is $95,823.27, of which the county itself pays $53,418.35, and of this amount $36,589.26 is in special school taxes voted by the people on themselves. This latter fact indicates something of the interest the people themselves are taking in education, as does the further fact that there are in the county 64 special school tax districts, including about 100 schools. The interest of the people in education and their general inclination toward reading and information and culture is further demonstrated in the fact that 75 of the schools of the county have libraries, in which there are more than 6,000 books selected by the State Department of Education.

There may be some other counties in the State that can equal Robeson's record, but, whether there are or not, Robeson is setting a pace in educational progress that is praiseworthy and which any county in the State is doing well to equal or approach.

BRUNSWICK ON THE STIR

The boosters of Brunswick county will hardly wait for the new year to fairly begin before mobilizing for greater work during another year of opportunity for the development of Southport and Brunswick county. The Southport commercial association will have a get-together meeting tomorrow at 3 o'clock, and it has invited the citizens of Brunswick to join it in a mobilization of the constructive men of the entire county. It is understood that leading men from various parts of the county will attend the meeting, and the Brunswick Eagle, published at Shallotte, urges a strong attendance on the part of the people of that community. "The citizens of Brunswick county who have the welfare of the county at heart should attend this meeting," The Eagle very properly emphasizes.

Shallotte is looking up herself. A live spirit prevails among the people of that Brunswick town which so long has been isolated without the advantages of railroad transportation. It has the advantage of water transportation, but The Eagle declares on what it states is reliable authority, that the Waccamaw Lumber Company will extend its railroad from Macatoka to Shallotte or Little River, a neighboring coast town in Horry county, S. C. The road at present extends from Bolton, on the Atlantic Coast Line, to Macatoka, the first named being in Columbus county and the latter in the northedge of Brunswick county. The Shallotte paper urges the citizens of its town to go after that road, and thus warns them that they had better get busy:

"The citizens of the South Carolina town are making a strong fight for the road to be extended to their town in place of Shallotte, and we understand that a delegation of citizens have already called on the officials of the Waccamaw company with a view of inducing them to build to Little River. Shallotte is the logical point for the extension of the road, as it is only about twelve miles from Makatoka, and the line would strike some of the best farming land in Brunswick county, but the people of Shallotte have got to show the Waccamaw company that they want their road and that they will patronize it should they decide to come to our town. The citizens of the South Carolina town are not going to let the grass grow under their feet, and it is up to the people of Shallotte to make a fight for the road."

The extension of the railroad from Bolton to Shallotte would be a stroke of enterprise both attractive and justifiable. It would open up a rich and resourceful virgin country which only needs communication with the outside world to make it one of the finest portions of the State. Although this great coastal region is so close to Wilmington, its inaccessibility prevents it from being known to our own people. Nevertheless, the coast section of Brunswick is a land of promise and all it needs is a chance to develop, as it is bound to do some of these days.

THE EVENING DISPATCH.

The Star's esteemed local contemporary, The Evening Dispatch, makes formal announcement of the transfer of ownership of The Dispatch newspaper and job printing establishment to its new owners, just incorporated as the Dispatch Publishing Company. Mr. R. P. McClammy, owner of The Dispatch, makes that announcement in yesterday evening's paper and takes leave of his clientele with expressions of sincere regret, mingled with appreciation of the hearty and loyal support which Wilmington has given to his paper all these years.

To Mr. McClammy is due the establishment of The Dispatch when he was but a youth, and it is a monument to his enterprise and innate managing ability. It has been due to his enterprise that it has grown steadily into a valuable newspaper property. He early adopted a clean standard for The Dispatch and it has been fearless and unwavering as the exponent of the best interests of the community and the upbuilding of Wilmington. The Star's relations with him have been invariably pleasant, and we can but have regret that he takes leave of a field in which he has made good.

The new corporation will take charge of The Dispatch tomorrow, with Mr. Wm. E. Lawson as treasurer and manager. Mr. Lawson is an experienced newspaper man and has been city editor of the paper for two years. Previous to his going with The Dispatch he was city editor of The Star, so that the whole of The Star family heartily congratulates him upon the enlarged sphere that he is to occupy, although it will increase his responsibility. However, he is equal to that responsibility and he brings to it ability and the born genius which goes to make a good newspaper man. Besides the local associations which entitle him to the esteem and good wishes of The Star, there is a more intimate factor in the circumstance that he and Mr. J. E. Thompson, general manager of The Star, were closely associated in the newspaper business earlier in life.

Manager Lawson has been in the newspaper business ever since he was 13 or 14 years old with the exception of some time during this period spent in school. He is thoroughly acquainted with all branches of the business. When 16 years old he published for nearly a year a weekly paper in his home town of Morven, Anson county, North Carolina. Later for three years he owned and edited a weekly paper at Siler City, having established the Siler City Grit, which is now conducted by Isaac London.

He then went to Greensboro, where for a year he served as city editor of the Greensboro Daily Telegram under Mr. R. W. Haywood, owner and editor, who is pleasantly remembered in Wilmington, having been connected with both The Dispatch and The Star at different times and is now associate editor of the Raleigh News and Observer. Leaving Greensboro Mr. Lawson went to Winston-Salem, where he was city editor of The Journal for two years, thence to Charlotte on telegraph desk and proof reading for a year. He then came to Wilmington, where he was for five years with The Star as city editor.

Manager Lawson announces that The Dispatch is to be no man's mouthpiece, nor the organ of any set of men, but that it will be a Democratic newspaper inspired with the high aims that have always characterized it. The new owners propose to greatly improve it, and the manager promises that it shall be a modern daily devoted as ever to all that is good for Wilmington and for the development of the city and Eastern North Carolina.

It is especially gratifying that our friend, Mr. James H. Cowan, for many years editor of The Dispatch, will be retained in that sphere of proven usefulness. Editor Cowan is another born newspaper man, and the columns of the paper have given daily evidence of his splendid versatility and ability. He has been a stand-by all these years of his work and has not only contributed to the vivacity and excellence of the paper but has steadfastly been the guardian of its enviable standard.

Mr. T. M. Pridgen will fill the position of city editor, succeeding Mr. Lawson in that capacity. He is a young newspaper man of fine talents, and his assistant will be Mr. Owen C. Fillyaw, who has been proving his genius for the work as one of the reporters of the paper. Mr. C. A. Wootton, a North Carolinian who trained under the Hearst management, has been requisitioned for the circulation department. He is experienced and capable and comes with a high reputation as a newspaper man.

The Dispatch Publishing Company will have as its president Senator W. B. Cooper, one of Wilmington's leading financiers and most successful business men. Thos. W. Davis, Esq., is vice president and Mr. James Owen Reilly secretary. They are all leading spirits in Wilmington's progress, and certainly The Dispatch has fallen into the best of hands.

The Greensboro News says it does not know what a flagon is, but, anyhow, it is quite likely that trade follows the flagon around Greensboro.

We are gonna turn over a new leaf. We are reading Boushida and every one of its leaves have to be turned over till we see its finish.

Toot! Toot, Too-oot! Wilmington's train does not propose to stop at crossings this year. Stay on board and get there with the crowd.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The New Bern Cotton Oil Mill is the latest addition to the ranks of those mills that recognize the soy bean as a coming North Carolina crop. This mill will begin crushing the beans as soon as the season of working with cotton seed is over, which will be about the last of April or the first of May. In a recent letter Mr. Williams the president of the mill states that he will use about 500 or 1,000 tons. This increases further the value of the crop to the farmers of Eastern North Carolina.—Extension Farm News.

The Charlotte Observer comments upon the fact that 331 cars of dressed turkeys were shipped this fall from Texas, this being nearly 800,000 turkeys, and asks why more turkeys are not raised in this State. If other sections of North Carolina would do half as well as Siler City and community the turkey problem would be solved and the Texas record eclipsed. On one day, Tuesday, 21st, one dealer in Siler City shipped 2,100 pounds of dressed turkeys—this being just a sample of the holiday rush in turkeys. And this was the shortest day in the year, too.—Siler City Grit.

During the session of the Rivers and Harbors Congress in Washington an advertising corner in the Willard was pre-empted by the American Cyanamid Company, which is operating a factory at Niagara Falls for the production of fertilizer from the air. The factory has a capacity of 64,000 tons a year. Its product is called cyanamid, but it is the same product that is now being placed on the market by the Southern Electro Chemical Company, as described in yesterday's Observer. A sample bottle of this fertilizer-from-the-air looks very much like a sample bottle of coarse grain powder from a powder factory. It is blue-black and odorless. In all the world there are now 14 factories engaged in extracting nitrogen from the air and only two of these are in America—the one at Niagara and that in the Charlotte territory.—Charlotte Observer.

The top of the morning to Maj. William H. Bernard, of Fayetteville and Wilmington. Here is wishing him many happy returns. He is 79 years of age today. As the founder of the oldest daily in the State and as a newspaper man of long years of service—one who was never lured away from his chosen calling by the attractions of political office or by any other influence—Maj. Bernard occupies a place of unique distinction and fellow members of the profession all over the State will pause today to remember with affection and regard the fine old Cape Fear editor who pioneered the way in the field of daily journalism in North Carolina. To all his many newspaper friends it is a pleasure to know that he is still active and that when he is in Wilmington he is almost as familiar a figure around the office of The Morning Star as was the case when he was the sole owner of the paper. But newspaper folks are not the only ones who will feel like handing a bouquet to Major Bernard today. The State at large also owes him a meed of appreciation. For he always ran a staunchly Democratic paper and The Star's influence for Democracy and good government all through the Cape Fear section has always been powerful and far-reaching. And so, again we say, many happy returns and a happy New Year for the Major! In doing so we would not forget to extend the compliments of the season to The Star, which is being run by men whom the veteran journalist trained, and who faithfully reflect the ideas of journalism which he inculcated in them, ideas that have been elaborated and amplified with the buoyancy and vitality that go with youth but ideas that yet are easily distinguishable on every page of one of the best and livest dailies in the South.—Raleigh News and Observer.

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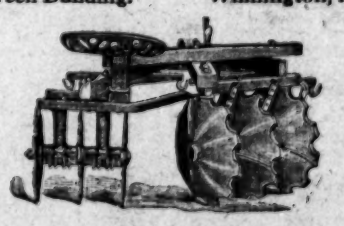

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FAYETTEVILEE REPORTS.

Sold 20,000 Red Cross Seals Christmas Week.

Sanatorium, N. C., Jan. 1.—Fayetteville is the first town to report the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals for this season. During Christmas week, the Red Cross Seal Committee of that town, of which Miss Kate Gaster is chairman, sold 20,000 seals, the entire number on hand. Mention has not yet been made as to just what use in the fight against tuberculosis the local committee will make of the proceeds raised.

DR. J. H. PRATT'S FATHER ILL.

State Geologist Called to Bedside of Capt. J. C. Pratt.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Jan. 1.—Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, has been called to Hartford on account of the illness of his father, Captain James C. Pratt, who has pneumonia.

The woman who is careless in her frock should ever keep on the door of love a lock.

Speech is the mouthpiec of thought; feeling is the influence exercised by speech.

A woman's hesitating no, no, no, ever is but yes, each man for self must his answer guess.

AFTER SEVEN YEARS

Wilmington Testimony Remains Unshaken.

Time is the best test of truth. Here is a Wilmington story that has stood the test of time. It is a story with a point which will come straight home to many of us.

W. L. Benson, grocer, 620 S. Second St., Wilmington, says: "My back ached and pained me nearly all the time. I couldn't straighten up after stooping or lifting without having sharp pains in the small of my back. Mornings, I felt very lame and sore. The kidney secretions were highly colored and contained sediment. Since I used Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Bellamy's Drug Store, the backache has entirely disappeared, my kidneys act regularly, and I can rest much better nights." (Statement given February 24, 1908.)

On April 5, 1915, Mr. Benson said: "Doan's Kidney Pills cured me several years ago of a bad case of kidney trouble and since then my kidneys have been sound."

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because swollen glands or inflamed membranes often affect other tissues and lung trouble easily follows.

As Nature's corrector of throat troubles the pure cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion is speedily converted into germ-resisting tissue; its tested glycerine is curative and healing, while this wholesome emulsion relieves the trouble and upbuilds the forces to resist tubercular germs and avert the weakening influence which usually follows.

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A New Year Greeting

TO you, and all our friends, and all those whose friendship we would like to have; and everybody else, we wish

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STACY SWORN IN AS JUDGE

Administration of Oath of Office by Mr. John J. Furlong Was Without Any Formal Ceremony.

Hon. Walter Parker Stacy was sworn in yesterday at 11 o'clock as Superior Court judge of the Eighth Judicial district to succeed Judge George Rountree, the oath of office being administered by Mr. John J. Furlong, justice of the peace. There was no formal ceremony carried out, the swearing in of the new judge taking place in his office in the Southern building in the presence of a few friends, who had dropped in to extend best wishes for the New Year.

Standing in front of Judge Stacy's desk in his office, Mr. Furlong read the oath and was followed by Judge Stacy. There are three oaths that Superior Court judges have to take, one being to support the constitution of the United States, the second being to support the constitution of the State of North Carolina, and the third to faithfully discharge the duties as Superior Court judge. Following the reading of each oath Judge Stacy placed his lips upon a Bible, a gift from his father, Rev. L. E. Stacy, when his son left home to enter the University of North Carolina.

After the administration of the oaths, Mr. Furlong affixed his signatures to each and they were then signed by Judge Stacy. The half dozen friends present included Prof. M. C. S. Noble, dean of the Department of Education of the University of North Carolina, who has been spending the Christmas holidays in Wilmington. After each one present had extended congratulations to the new judge, a few minutes was spent in discussing matters of current interest and they then departed.

The administration of the oath in a quiet, informal manner was the desire of Judge Stacy, who was averse to having anything that smacked of display. That he will wear the judicial ermine worthily and with honor to himself and the State is the unanimous belief of his hundreds of friends and admirers throughout North Carolina. And all who are acquainted with Judge Stacy know that he will conduct himself upon the bench in the same modest, unassuming manner that has characterized his life in the past.

Judge Stacy is the youngest judge on the Superior Court bench in North Carolina but has had wide experience in judicial matters and is a man who has attained to high honors because of his demonstration of fitness to show good judgment at all times. Poise and equanimity of mind under all circumstances have been the distinguishing marks of his career as a lawyer and citizen.

Judge Stacy will hold his first court at Warrenton the third week in this month, beginning January 17. While in the natural order of rotation he will not reach this district during his present term of office, it is hoped that arrangements will be made by which he can exchange courts with Judge Peebles, who is assigned to this district for the next six months, for one or more courts during the spring.

The law firm of Kenan & Stacy, of which Judge Stacy has been a member ever since he came to Wilmington six years ago, has been dissolved and the large practice of the firm will be continued by Graham Kenan, Esq.

CHANGE IS ANNOUNCED.

Mr. C. J. Chenworth Succeeds Mr. C. M. James as Assistant to Mr. Delano.

As announced in The Star several days ago, Mr. C. J. Chenworth has been appointed as assistant to Third Vice President Lyman Delano of the Atlantic Coast Line to succeed Mr. C. M. James, who has been appointed engineer of construction. Mr. Chenworth has been located in Savannah, Ga., for several years. The appointments became effective yesterday.

Mr. Chenworth has been connected with the Coast Line for a number of years, and has for some time been head of the roadway department, with headquarters at Savannah, Ga., and his promotion shows that his services have been highly appreciated. He has already arrived in the city and assumed his position.

The promotion of Mr. James, since he came to Wilmington from First Division headquarters at Rocky Mount seven or eight years ago, has been rapid. As engineer of construction, he will have active charge of all the construction work undertaken by the railroad, filling a position that has been vacant for two or three years. His many friends here and elsewhere will be glad to hear of his promotion.

FUNERAL OF CAPT. BEERY

Services for War Veteran Yesterday Morning Were Impressive.

The funeral of Capt. Whitford R. Beery, whose death occurred Friday morning at the home of his son, Mr. W. B. Beery, Sr., No. 406 South Sixth street, after a long illness, was conducted from the residence yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. W. E. Cox, rector of St. John's Episcopal church, and was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends.

Interment was in Oakdale cemetery, where the many and beautiful floral offerings showed the high esteem and respect in which this venerable citizen was held.

The pallbearers were: Honorary, Gen. James J. Metts and W. M. Hankins; active, Capt. W. A. Sanders, Messrs. J. E. Hall, G. C. McIntyre, Fred Fuchs, M. G. Tiencken and J. W. Hawkins.

FUNERAL OF MRS. MIXON

Impressive Service Held Yesterday Morning at Delgado.

The funeral of Mrs. Evelyn Mixon, whose death occurred suddenly Thursday night at the home of her son, Mr. L. S. Mixon, No. 42 Manhattan, was conducted yesterday morning at 11 o'clock from Delgado Baptist church, by Rev. Archie L. Fryar. There were many sorrowing friends in attendance. Interment was in Bellevue cemetery.

The pallbearers were: Messrs. J. C. Walker, J. C. Jackson, R. L. Merritt and S. G. Nelms.

New Location for Pharmacy.

Mr. W. R. Kingsbury has moved the Kingsbury Pharmacy, of which he is proprietor, from South Fourth street, to its new home on the northwest corner of Second and Dock streets.

To Fortify the System Against Winter Cold.

Many users of GROVE'S TASTELESS Chill TONIC make it a practice to take a number of bottles in the fall to strengthen and fortify the system against the cold weather during the winter. Everyone knows the tonic effect of Quinine and Iron which this preparation contains in a tasteless and acceptable form. It purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system. 50c.

NEW YEAR'S TOURNAMENT

Dr. R. H. Bellamy Winner in Bogie Contest at Cape Fear Country Club—Oyster Roast.

The annual New Year's bogie golf event was played yesterday on the court of the Cape Fear Country club in East Wilmington. The playing was the best in years, the club record being broken three times. Dr. R. H. Bellamy was the winner with the excellent score of eight up which is seven holes better than last year's winning score and three holes better than the previous club record for events of this class. R. W. Strange Esq., and Mr. E. A. Metts tied in the class B handicap event which was played yesterday afternoon.

After the bogie event a most enjoyable oyster roast was given upon the conclusion of which the men's Class B handicap began. The luncheon as usual was a splendid one and there were quite a large number present. The caddies were also given a dinner which they enjoyed exceedingly. This was in the nature of a holiday gift from the members of the club in appreciation of their services on the greens. The youngsters were mightily pleased with this feature.

The playing of Dr. Bellamy in the bogie contest was most remarkable not only as to the score made but also because of the fact that this is his first year in the game. His score from scratch was even with Bogie which broke the club record of one down, made in 1912 by Mr. R. H. Gwaltheney, the Carolina champion of that year.

Yesterday's winner, however, held the record but a few minutes as Mr. George P. James, of Washington, D. C., the fifth player to finish, reported a score of three up from scratch which with his handicap of three gave him second place with a total of six up. A. S. Williams, Esq., was third with a score of one up.

The day was slightly cloudy but the temperature was excellent for good golf and the course was in fine condition. The features of the tournament were the driving of the winner, who averaged close to 20 yards and the medal score work of Mr. George P. James, who made 40-41, which is the best tournament record made at the club in four years. Mr. James is by the way one of the six Southern players who have a handicap rating in the United States Golf Association. The scores of the other players were as follows:

A. S. Williams, handicap 7, 1 up; J. F. Roache, handicap 6, 3 down; B. H. Bridgers, handicap 7, 3 down; Dr. R. H. Bellemy, handicap 8, 8 up; F. W. Dick, handicap 4, 3 down; J. H. Davis, handicap 9, 2 down; G. P. James, handicap 3, 6 up; R. C. James, handicap 9, 8 down; T. W. Strange, handicap 3, 1 down; Raymond Hunt, handicap 8, 5 down; J. A. Stewart, handicap 4, 5 down; W. G. Robertson, handicap 4 ,5 down; Judge George Rountree, handicap 7, 4 down; W. E. Waring, handicap 8, 5 down; J. W. Carmichael, handicap 5, 4 down.

After the contest of the morning there was a 12-hole match for the members of the Cape Fear Country Club, having a handicap of 18 or more, which resulted in a tie between Mr. E. A. Metts and Robert Strange, Esq., with a net score of 50.

The scores in gross, handicap and net were as follows: J. J. Blair, 71, 20, 51; C. Van Leuven, 71, 16, 55; W. A. Fisher, 75, 16, 59; G. G. Thomas, Jr., 82, 20, 62; D. W. Gross, 65, 14, 51; Alexander Sprunt, 68, 16, 52; E. A. Metts ,65, 15, 50; Charles Grainger, 66, 12, 54; Robert Strange, 67, 17, 50; Dr. J. F. Robertson, 74, 21, 53; Dr. T. E. Hughes, 94, 22, 72.

The prizes in both contests consisted of handsome copper cups for first places and golf balls for second places. The next event of the Country Club will be a ladies' approaching and putting contest which will be held on the third Thursday in this month.

NATIONAL CONVENTION HERE

Grand Secretary H. E. Bonits Recommends Wilmington to Arcanum. Asked for Suggestion.

In response to a request from Auditor Wm. F. McConnell, of New York, for a suggestion as to where the next May meeting of the National body of the Royal Arcanum should be held, Grand Secretary H. E. Bonitz has put in nomination the city of Wilmington.

The convention is composed of men from all parts of the United States, but only numbers about 300 and could easily be accommodated here. Detroit had been selected as the meeting place, but finding that there will be another large convention there at the time, the request was made to Mr. Bonitz for selection of a place to meet. It is quite likely, since the matter has been referred to him, that Mr. Bonitz suggestion will have considerable weight in determining the city in which they will meet.

The convention is to be held during the second week in May.

The following prominent men, officers of the Supreme Council, will attend the convention:

Supreme Regent—Samuel N. Hoag, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Vice Supreme Regent—C. Arch Williams, Chicago.

Supreme Orator—Franklin Rubrecht, Columbus, O.

Sitting Past Supreme Regent—F. B. Wickersham, Harrisburg, Pa.

Supreme Secretary—Alfred T. Turner, Boston.

Supreme Treasurer—A. E. Robinson, St. Louis.

Examiner of Claims—W. Holt Apgar, Trenton, N. J.

Supreme Auditor—W. F. McConnell, New York.

Supreme Guide—S. M. Brinson, Newbern.

Report Shoe Polish Stolen.

Report was made yesterday by Mr. Charles Smith, who conducts a drug store at Swan and Fifth streets, that someone removed a glass from his display windows Friday night and stole a box containing a dozen boxes of shoe polish. The police made an investigation, but no arrests have been made.

New Year Fireworks.

Baby New Year was welcomed at the United States Marine Hospital with a fine pyrotechnical display given under the command of two of Uncle Sam's finest Army captains—Captain Ridley and Captain Matheson.

CAPT. J. J. CROSSWELL DEAD

Prominent and Popular Southern Express Man Passes at Home in Fayetteville.

The announcement of the death of Capt. J. J. Crosswell, which occurred at his home in Fayetteville between midnight and day yesterday morning, brings genuine sorrow to a large circle of friends in Wilmington, as well as throughout the Cape Fear section, and a large portion of the two Carolinas, for the genial "Captain" had been traveling this territory for many years as route agent of the Southern Express Company, with which he had been connected for 43 years, and had the happy faculty of making warm personal friends of all with whom he came in contact in a business way or otherwise.

Captain Crosswell frequently visited Wilmington, and was known to many here. Mr. Walter Buckner, of this city, superintendent of the Southern Express Company, and probably others, will go to Fayetteville today to attend the funeral, which will be conducted from St. John's Episcopal church there this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The circumstances of Captain Crosswell's death, as told by the Fayetteville Observer yesterday afternoon, are interesting. He and his wife were awakened by the noise of the bells ringing in the New Year Friday night, when he remarked: "What has the New Year in store for us?" In a few minutes he was dead. Earlier in the night, before retiring, he had told Mrs. Crosswell he did not think he would live until New Year's morn. His death was totally unexpected by his friends in Fayetteville. While he had been in poor health for some months and contracted a deep cold a week or ten days ago and was taken to Highsmith Hospital for treatment, he had so far recovered as to return home, and was thought to be in better health than for some time. Of his life and career, the Observer has the following:

"James J. Crosswell, who was 62 years of age, was born in Sumter, S. C. For 43 years he had been connected with the Southern Express Company, which he served faithfully, acceptably and with ability. He started his career with the company in Florida as a messenger, was quickly promoted to agent at St Petersburg, Fla., from there to the agency at Jacksonville, Fla., and then to Columbia, S. C.

"At the time of his death he was route agent for the Atlantic division of the company, with headquarters at Fayetteville. This position he had held for a number of years. Mr. Crosswell was deservedly very popular wherever he was known, and being a man of affairs, his acquaintance was wide.

"Mr. Crosswell never fully recovered from the railway velocipede-auto collision he was in near Elrod January 22, 1913.

"As husband and father, Mr. Crosswell was loving and true; as a neighbor and friend, he was kind and helpful; as a citizen, he was loyal and public-spirited; as a business man, he was honorable and able; as a Christian, he was devout, consistent and faithful. Few men have died in Fayetteville in recent years whose death has caused more sincere grief.

"Mr. Crosswell was for a number of years a junior warden of St. John's Episcopal church, this city. He was active in church work, and was ever solicitous for the advancement and upbuilding of the church. He was a member of the following orders: Phoenix Lodge of Masons, Cumberland Lodge, No. 5, Knights of Pythias, and Fayetteville Lodge of Elks.

"Of his immediate family, deceased is survived by his wife, one son, Mr. Jacquelin Crosswell, now a resident of Norfolk, Va., and a little grandson, Arthur McCall, aged 4 years, whose mother, an only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Crosswell, died June 13, 1915, at her home in Florence, S. C."

HAVE CHRISTMAS TREE

Sunday School of Southside Baptist Church Have Enjoyable Exercises.

The Sunday school of Southside Baptist church had its annual Christmas tree and entertainment on Thursday night of the past week. There was a large congregation present and the occasion was a happy one for all in attendance. The exercises were opened with a scripture reading by the superintendent, Mr. J. M. Batson, and Rev. W. G. Hall, the pastor, offered the prayer. The following programme was carried out:

Song—By the Congregation.

Recitation—By Master Owel Davis.

Cornet Solo—"The Holy City," by Mr. J. S. Canady, accompanied by Mrs. W. T. Mercer.

Pantomime—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee," by seven girls

Recitation—By Mrs. J. M. McLaughlin.

Recitation—By Miss Ruby Stephens.

Reading—"The Poor House Christmas," by Miss Mollie Holton.

Recitation—By Earl Walton.

Drill and Song—By the Children.

The Ladies' Aid Society presented Rev. W. G. Hall with a handsome rocking chair, the presentation being made at the close of the exercises by Superintendent Batson.

Rev. Mr. Hall was also presented with a beautifully engraved locket on last Sunday afternoon, this being a gift of the Sunday school of the church.

PORTRAIT OF SUPERINTENDENT

Oak Hill School Shows High Regard for Prof. Catlett.

As an expression of their high regard for County School Superintendent Washington Catlett, School District, No. Oak Hill, have gone to considerable expense to have a large portrait of Professor Catlett made and placed on the walls of the school.

The portrait was made by Buck and is an excellent likeness of the superintendent, and is handsomely framed. Prof. Catlett has expressed appreciation for the kindly feeling of the people of Oak Hill.

Injured by Automobile Yesterday.

Willie Reeves, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Reeves, of No. 906 South Sixth street, was knocked down and slightly injured yesterday morning about 11 o'clock, when he was run down by an automobile belonging to the Cannon Automobile Company and driven by one of their colored employes. The boy was riding in the same direction the machine was going and cut across in front of it. The bicycle was pretty badly bent up and the boy was taken to a physician for medical attention.

Monday, January 3rd

Begins OUR NEXT REGULAR INTEREST PERIOD, and the deposits made with this bank on or before that day will receive credit for interest from JANUARY 1ST. Interest on these deposits is payable exactly Three Months from January 1st.

Every courtesy and attention awaits the small and large depositors at this bank, and we will be pleased to have you begin the New Year with a deposit in the "People's."

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We recognize our great responsibility in handling the savings of the thrifty—now amounting to an aggregate of nearly TWO AND ONE-HALF MILLION DOLLARS—and shall always regard as a sacred trust the confidence placed in us by the entire community.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.

"SAFETY FIRST"

WILL MANUFACTURE SHIRTS

New Wilmington Enterprise to be Started at Early Date—To Use Willard Bag Factory.

A new manufacturing enterprise for this city is the Wilmington Shirt Company, which has leased the plant of the Willard bag factory, corner Third and Kidder streets, and will as soon as the machinery can be installed begin the manufacture of work and negligee shirts for the trade. The company will be incorporated this week with an authorized capital stock of $25,000, of which $5,000 will be paid in. Those interested in the new company are Mayor P. Q. Moore and Messrs. J. C. and B. B. McKoy and James H. Scull.

Mr. J. C. McKoy will be general manager of the concern and Mr. L. M. Woolard, of Washington, N. C., who has had 20 years of experience in the business, has been secured as superintendent. It is planned to employ from 70 to 100 young ladies in the plant.

A contract has been closed, it is stated, with a large Northern firm for the entire output of the factory for the next two years. The factory will be able to turn out from 300 to 1,000 dozen shirts a week. All of the shirts will be shipped by water to New York direct and distributed from that point.

The Willard Bag Company, which ceased operations several weeks ago, formerly operated an overall factory in connection with the making of bags and this part of the machinery has been purchased by the new company. The entire plant has been leased and the machinery ordered and is expected to arrive this week.

The office of the new concern will be at No. 1309 South Third street. Mr. Woolard has already arrived in the city and will begin at once making preparations for opening the plant within the next several weeks.

PRECIPITATION WAS SMALL.

December Had Large Number of Clear Days—Other Features.

There was less rainfall in Wilmington during the month of December than has been the case in several years, the total being only 1.31 inches as compared with the normal rainfall of 3.12 inches. The normal temperature for the month was also lower than usual, being 44 degrees, while the normal is 47.2. The highest temperature was 71 degrees on December 17th and the lowest was 25 degrees on the 22nd.

The total number of hours of sunshine was 193.3 out of a possible 307 hours. The highest wind velocity was on the 29th, when it blew 38 miles an hour from the southwest. There were 16 partly clear days, six partly cloudy days and nine cloudy days.

Seven and a half inches of snow fell during the month, this being one of the unusual features of December for Wilmington. This was the biggest snow in years for Wilmington.

FUNERAL AT ROCKINGHAM.

Mr. H. D. Thompson, of Baltimore, Buried at That Place.

The funeral of Mr. Herbert D. Thompson, who died in Baltimore Thursday, was held at Rockingham Friday at the home of Misses Mamie and Annie Steele. Interment was in the family burying ground in which lie six generations of Mrs. Thompson's family.

Honarary pall-bearers were W. L. Parsons, T. B. Covington, H. S. Ledbetter, Dr. W. H. Steele, W. Clay Leak, active pall-bearers: George P. Entwistle, L. S. Covington, W. P. McRae, W. N. Everett, William L. Steele, Dr. R. S. Coble, S. W. Steele and Thomas C. Leak.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Covington, of Wilmington, attended the funeral and are expected to return to the city today. Mrs. Thompson is a sister of Mrs. Covington.

BOYS HAVE BIG TIME

Spend the Night at Old Fort Fisher and Enjoy Themselves Hugely.

Nine bright youngsters under the leadership of Mr. C. Walton Johnson, boys' work secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, journeyed to old Fort Fisher Thursday afternoon and spent the night on this historic spot. They secured a wagon and packed in a lot of good things to eat and had a lot of fun cooking supper and breakfast. They spent the night in a fisherman's shack and Friday morning went on a tour of exploration and absorbed a bit of history after which they took a plunge in the surf. This was the third educational trip of the season for the boys but will not be the last.

Those taking the trip besides Mr. Johnson were: Carl and William Mahler, Albert Williams, Duvall Williams, William Ek, Willie Pate, Paul Kells, John Gayord and Henry Burnett.

Organize Camping Club.

For the purpose of planning camping trips to points of interest in this section a number of boys of the junior department of the Y. M. C. A. organized yesterday a camping club. The officers are: President, William Ek; secretary, Robert Williams; treasurer, Carl Mahler. Other members of the club include William Mahler, William Pate, Harry Tucker, Neil McEachern, Charles Cavenaugh and Owen Martin.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Eunice L. Pearsall, of Red Springs, was an Orton guest yesterday.

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Mrs. Seth L. Smith, of Whiteville, was in the city yesterday, a guest at The Orton.

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Miss Tatti R. Fitts, of Petersburg, Va., is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. J. Dauer, No. 522 Dock street.

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Mrs. Myrtle Harriss, of Morehead City, spent yesterday in the city, a guest at Hotel Wilmington.

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Mrs. R. S. Foster, of Charleston, S. C., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. McC. Stanford, at Winter Park.

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The regular meeting of the social committee of the Y. W. C. A. will be held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock.

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Mr. O. L. Thompson and attractive daughter, of Atkinson, were visitors in the city yesterday, guests at The Orton.

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Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Thompson, of No. 407 North Seventh street, have gone to Fremont to spend a few days with relatives.

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Mrs. B. A. Robeson and children, James and Mabel, who spent the holidays with relatives and friends here, have returned to their home at Chadbourn.

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Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the city graded schools, who spent the holidays with relatives in High Point, returned to the city Friday night.

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Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Murphy, of Greensboro, who have been spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Covington, expect to return home tomorrow.

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The Winter Park Community Union will meet at the school house Monday night at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to be present as business importance will be transacted.

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Miss Eleanor Jordan, who spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. D. B. Jordan, No. 312 Market street, left last night for Tarrytown, N. Y., where she will resume her work in the Castle School.

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Prof. M. C. S. Noble, dean of the department of education of the University of North Carolina, is spending a few days in Wilmington and has been cordially greeted by his many friends here.

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Mrs. E. J. Motte, mother of Mr. L. L. Motte, and Mrs. L. L. Motte, of Burgaw, have arrived in the city. Mr. Motte was recently appointed as court stenographer of New Hanover and with his family will reside at No. 105 Church street.

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Mrs. L. E. Burger, of Natural Bridge, Va., arrived in the city yesterday to visit her son, Mr. K. P. Burger, popular saleman for Armour & Company with headquarters here. They are at Mrs. C. M. Weathers' boarding house, corner of Third and Chestnut street.

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New Year's vesper services will be held at the Young Women's Christian Association this afternoon at 5 o'clock and will be in charge of Rev. W. Marshall Craig, paster of the First Baptist church. There will be a special musical programme. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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The music at St. James' Episcopal church today will be appropriate to the New Year. Tonight, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, there will be a violin and organ recital by Mr. W. G. Robertson, the church organist, and Mrs. Meares Harriss. The programme will include an anthem with violin obbligato.

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Misses Mary Baldwin and Fannie Starr Mitchell, who have been spending the holidays quite pleasantly with their mother, Mrs. J. S. Mitchell, No. 113 North Fourth street, left yesterday afternoon, returning to Waynesville, N. C., where they are members of the faculty of the graded schools.

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The regular educational, gymnasium and Bible classes of the Y. W. C. A. will resume their work tomorrow. The gymnasium classes will meet as follows: grade girls, 3:30 to 4:30 p. m.; business girls, 5 to 6 p. m. and 8 to 9 p. m. The Bible class for business girls will meet at 7 o'clock. The shorthand class will meet tomorrow night.

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Mr. Pembroke Jones, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. J. Russell Pope, who have been spending the holidays at the splendid country estate of their father, Mr. Pembroke Jones, at Airlie, left yesterday afternoon, returning North. Mr. Jones and other members of his holiday party at Airlie expect to be there until the first of this week.

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Mrs. Winifred Stoner extends a cordial invitation to all interested in Natural Education to see a demonstration with Wilmington children at the Boys' Brigade armory on Monday evening at 8:30 o'clock. Mrs. Stoner will talk on "What is Natural Education" and will illustrate her lecture with songs and games. She will be assisted by Miss M. O. Hays, of New York, and Miss Ruth Shaw.

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Members of Cape Fear Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, who have not yet reported on tickets sold for the benefit at the Royal theatre last Thursday, are requested to do so at once by applying either to Mrs. F. L. Huggins or Mrs. E. K. Bryan. This is important as the committee is unable to make final settlement until all returns are made by those to whom tickets were sent.

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Maysville, N. C., Jan. 1.—An interesting marriage took place at the home of the bride Wednesday evening, December 29, when Mr. Albert J. Taylor and Miss Annie Henderson were united in the bonds of matrimony by Rev. E. C. Sell, of the Methodist church. Immediately after the ceremony the popular young couple left for the home of the groom in Onslow county, followed by the wishes of their many friends for a long life of uninterrupted happiness.

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Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 1.—It is granted to few couples to celebrate their fiftieth wedding aninversary, but this pleasure, God willing, will be given to Captain and Mrs. D. J. Broadhurst, of this city, who are preparing to celebrate their fiftieth marriage anniversary on January 3, 1916, and will hold a reception on that day at their home on William street, south, where they will give glad welcome and a hearty handshake to all of their friends who may honor them with a call between 4 o'clock in the afternoon and 11 o'clock that night.

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The M. T. C. entertained Friday evening at the home of Miss Thelma Fillyaw, No. 116 Grace street. After the usual New Year programme, delicious refreshments were served. The guests, including club members, were as follows: Miss Thelma Fillyaw and Mr. Thomas Lewis, Miss Fannie Jones and Mr. Thomas E. McCraw, Miss Lillian McEachern and Mr. Joe LeMoyne, Miss Idoma Hewlett and Mr R. Hinnant, Miss May Orrell and Mr. Elmer LeGwin, Miss Elsie Jones and Mr. Willie Kelly, Miss Gladys McEachern and Mr. E. L. Steele, Miss Edna McEachern and Mr. R. B. Lewis, Jr., Miss Eloise Powers and Mr. Aubrey Morse.

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Warsaw, N. C., Jan. 1.—Miss Fannie Best entertained a number of her friends at her home on Church street Friday evening from 8 till 11 o'clock. The rooms were decorated with Christmas greens and red carnations. An enjoyable guessing contest was used as the form of entertainment, in which the names of the guests formed the answers to the questions, little Miss Sallie Faison Best carrying around the papers. Miss Margaret Kennedy won the first prize, a crepe de chine handkerchief, which she presented to Miss Addie Lee Grimes, of Bethel, the only out-of-town guest. Miss Olivia Best received the booby, a monkey, both prizes being presented by Mrs. S. R. Flowers with a few well chosen words. After the contest an ice course of cream was served by Misses Aldine and Hulda Best, Berta Vick and Lenora Womack.

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DELIGHTFUL DINNER DANCE GIVEN BY MRS. S. A. SCHLOSS

One of the very delightful social affairs of the week was the dinner dance given Thursday night by Mrs S. A. Schloss, in her beautiful home on North Fourth stret, in honor of her guest, Miss Marion Myers, and Miss Mamie Nathan, whose engagement to Mr. Immanuel I. Bear, has been recently announced.

The spacious home was exquisitely decorated in Christmas colors. The stairway, the reception hall, the drawing room and dining room were banked in luxurious green, and lighted principally by the mellow glow of many red candles.

The dinner was served at 7:30, after which dancing was the main feature of the evening's entertainment. A dancing contest was indulged in and Miss Dorothy Soloman with Mr. Geo. Sternberger, won a prize for being the most graceful couple.

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MR. DOZIER L. LATTA GIVES A WATCH NIGHT RECEPTION.

Mr. Dozier L. Latta was the delightful host at a Watch Night reception given at his home, No. 111 Grace street, Friday night. Delightful music was furnished and amusements appropriate to the season were indulged in. In the dining room where the color scheme of green and white prevailed, a delicious supper was served. Bells, horns and whistles were given to the gentlemen as souvenirs and flowers to the ladies. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Latta, Mr. and Mrs. John Farlow, Mrs. T. I. Liner, Misses Alice and Marietta Behrends, Katherine Vonglahn, Marguerite Gaylor, Emma Hazel King, Ursula Willis, Alice Love, Carrie Newkirk, Mary Tripp, Miss Sandlin, Miss King, Mary Belle King, Hazel Black, Josephine Stough, of Bellefountain, O.; Mary Campbell and Messrs. W. Kenneth Gaylor, Lawrence Everett, John Carter, John F. Harris, Jr., Mr. Farrior, Mr. Houston, Edwin McClure, Dwight Wylie, William Wylie, Mr. Koelling and William Latta, and Miss Isabel McDougall.

RED CROSS SOCIETY DONATIONS FOR DECEMBER

The Red Cross Society acknowledges with grateful thanks the following donations to the Red Cross Sanitarium during December: A friend, 24 pounds flour; Miss Mary Alderman's school, bountiful supply of provisions; Mrs. S. Mendelsohn, basket of homemade cakes; Mrs. Toon, two dozen cans tomatoes; a friend, one step ladder; Wilmington Grocery Co., $2 towards Christmas dinner; King's Daughters gave Christmas bag to each patient; Miss Mary Alderman, a Christmas stocking filled with good things to each patient, also a handkerchief to each patient; Red Cross Society gave pretty basket of fruit, candy and nuts to patients and servants; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas in charge of Sanitarium, received presents also; Mr. and Mrs. Solomon, half box oranges; Mrs. J. T. King, half box oranges; Einstein Bros., in memory of Mrs. Simon Einstein, six blankets; through Mrs. Toon a case of wine; Mrs. Bissenger, one dozen oranges; Miss Bissenger, one dozen oranges; Mrs. J. H. Rehder, one dozen oranges.

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NORTH CAROLINA SOROSIS WILL HAVE BIG EVENT

Mrs. M. A. Harriss, promoter of the Business Men's Carnival which will be given under the auspices of North Carolina Sorosis January 24, 25 and 26, arrived in Wilmington yesterday and will mbet the chaperones for the event on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the club rooms of Sorosis. The first rehearsal will be given Tuesday night. The carnival will be given for the benefit of the club fund of North Carolina Sorosis.

The Business Men's Carnival will comprise a bright and breezy hodgepodge of melody, beauty and mirth in which from 200 to 300 local young men and women will participate, in ages ranging from six to forty years. Various business enterprises will be represented in the carnival.

The programme will include 75 or more numbers, a third of which will be used for each night's performance, there being a change each evening. The numbers will be of three kinds. First will be the sketch which is sometimes serious, but far more often a laughable skit of the most entertaining comedy. The second is the musical specially in which mirth and melody are artfully combined. All of the latest musical hits are introduced as well as the choicest and most appealing of the classical pieces. The third is the chorus of which there will be 26 introduced including beautiful movements and drills supplemented by scenic effects.

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MISS MARY LOU POWELL GIVES DELIGHTFUL HOLIDAY PARTY

Whiteville, N. C., Jan. 1.—A most beautiful climax to a series of happy holiday festivities was a party given by Miss Mary Lou Powell in honor of the students home for the Christmas vacation days at her home last evening.

The lower floor was thrown en suite and attractively decorated with New Year's bells and greens. Suspended in the living room was a large red bell with New Year's greetings in gold letters. Artistic bell shaped score cards were handed each guest for Progressive Rook, which was the game of the evening, and the prize, a two-pound box of bon bons, was won by Mr. Junius Powell and presented to Miss Mae FormyDuval.

Delightful brick creams and fruit cake, sandwiches and black coffee were served by Mesdames A. E. and W. H. Powell after the game. A number of instrumental solos rendered by Mr. James Schulken added to the pleasure of the occasion.

Those invited and present included Misses Lonnie Fuller, Mabel Maultsby, Margaret High, Mae FormyDuval, Kittie Maultsby, Bland Baldwin, Lois FormyDuval, Kathleen Baldwin and charming house guest, Miss Dorothy Justice, of Richmond, Va., and Messrs. Richard Lewis, Thurston FormyDuval, Rone Lewis, Alex. Powell, Jr., Joe Schulken, Manly Fuller, Elbert Thompson, James Schulken, Josiah Maultsby, Ellis Powell, Junius Powell and Bernice Farrior, the latter of Kenansville.

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MR. HARVEY C. HINES OF KINSTON WEDS IN NEW YORK

Kinston, N. C., Jan. 1.—The wedding of Miss Marguerite T. Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Walker, of 30 West 59th street, to Harvey C. Hines, of Kinston, took place on the afternoon of December 29 in the rose room of the Plaza, in New York City, the Rev. Dr. S. DeLancey Townsend, rector of All Saints' church, officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her costume was of white tulle and chiffon, with a short skirt, and finished with a long train edged with rose point lace. She carried an old fashioned bouquet of white orchids and lilies of the valley. She was attended by Miss Lorraine Craven, of New York, the maid of honor and only attendant of the bride, who wore a costume of pale pink chiffon with large transparent hat of brown tulle and chiffon. Mr. James M. Hines was best man, and the ushers were Messrs. Theus Munds, of New York; Lloyd M. LaRoque, Walter D. LaRoque and Joel J. Stevenson, of Kinston. Mrs. John H. Flagler sang at the ceremony, accompanied by a harpist and violinist. A reception and dance followed. The bride's mother, in the receiving line, appeared in a costume of hydrangea chiffon with touches of mauve with brown tulle hat. Among the invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. John H. Flagler, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Raymond, Governor and Mrs. Chas. S. Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Hoyt, Mr. Lovit Hines, father of the bridegroom; Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Riley, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gilpin and many others. Mr. and Mrs. Hines are now at Virginia Hot Springs. They will reside in Kinston.

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BEAUTIFUL CHURCH WEDDING SOLEMNIZED AT ROSEBORO

Roseboro, N. C., Jan. 1.—At eight o'clock on Thursday evening, December 23, 1915, at the Methodist church of this place, Miss Annie Laurie Underwood became the bride of Mr. Tommy W. Rowell, of Wadley, Ga. Rev. H. E. Lance, the bride's pastor, officiated. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom left on train No. 59 for southern points of interest, where they will spend the holidays.

The chancel of the church was tastefully decorated with Southern smilax, holly and mistletoe, forming an appropriate setting for the beautiful costume of the bride and her attendants. Mrs. James M. Hall presided at the organ, accompanied by Prof. Ralph Fisher on the violin.

Miss Clyde Underwood, sister of the bride, sweetly sang, "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms." At the touch of Lohengrin's wedding march, the bridal party entered. First came the little flower girls, Meda Spell and Martha Sanders, daintily dressed in white; next came T. L. Underwood and Jessie Harris, Havens White and Ossie Butler, J. E. Owen and D. H. Newton, Johnnie Howard and Bessie Daughtry, J. L. Underwood and Marvin White, Eunice Caison and Dixie Underwood, A. H. Nobles and F. B. Hall, Annie Hall and Brownie Martin. Next came the maid of honor, Miss Mary Ellen Owen, of Clinton, who wore pink chiffon over pink satin and carried a beautiful bouquet of carnations. The groom entered with his best man, Mr. James Hollingsworth. Next came the bride leaning on the arm of her father, who gave her away. The attendants crossed in front of the altar, where the bride and groom met, and in a very impressive manner the marriage vows were given.

Mendelssohn's wedding march was used as a recessional. The bride was becomingly gowned in a going-away suit of midnight blue broadcloth and carried carnations.

The many handsome and useful presents attest the popularity of this young couple.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Owen and Miss Bessie Daughtry from Clinton; Miss Ethel Morgan and Mr. Dalma Wood from Benson, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rowell, the groom's parents, from Wadley, Ga.

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PLEASANTS-LYTCH WEDDING AT ROWLAND A BEAUTIFUL AFFAIR

Rowland, N. C., Jan. 1.—The First Presbyterian church of Rowland was a scene of beauty on Wednesday afternoon, December 29, at 5 o'clock, when Miss Kate Pleasants, oldest daughter of Mr. V. G. Pleasants, became the bride of Mr. James Edison Lytch, of Rowland. The decorations were beautiful and very artistically arranged, consisting of ferns, longleaf pine, and cedar wreaths, cedar being used mostly. The soft glow of the candles from the solid mass of green lent a wonderful charm just as the daylight was meeting the darkness. From the centre of the arch under which the vows were spoken a large bow of white tulle showered with valley lilies was suspended, while a basket filled with pink carnations and fern was placed at either end of the arch.

Miss Jewel Ballard, of Cerro Gordo, played Macdowells "To a Wild Rose" as a prelude, after which Mrs. Reid Pleasants, of Carthage, sang in a charming way "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden," and "A Perfect Day." Then to the strains of the wedding march from Lohengrin the bridal party entered. First came the ushers, Messrs. Ernest Smith, of Laurinburg; Charles Cox, C. S. McCall and O. P. Chitty, of Rowland; then came Miss Sarah Graham with Mr. H. W. Rainey, Miss Lillian Pleasants, of Aberdeen, with Mr. A. E. Watson; Miss Jeddie David, of Dillon, S. C., with Mr. H. McKay Pleasants, followed by Mrs. John Ellis, of Jackson Springs, as dame of honor and Miss Bess McCormick as maid of honor.

The bride entered on the arm of her father, while the groom was attended by his brother, Mr. J. Milton Lytch, as best man. The happy couple with her attendants made an imposing picture while the ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. H. J. Mills, pastor of the bride. The wedding march from Smith's "Midsummer Night's Dream" was used as a recessional.

The bride wore a beautiful suit of midnight blue broadcloth, with hat, gloves, and shoes to match, and carried a shower bouquet of valley lilies. Her shirtwaist was especially beautiful, being made of hand embroidered chiffon imported from Korea. Miss McCormick wore a dress of Nile green taffeta with trimmings of silver embroidery, while the bridesmaids wore simple but beautiful dresses of pink crepe de chine and georgette crepe with trimmings of silver lace and fur and carried Killarney roses. Mrs. Ellis was lovely in white crepe de chine with a bouquet of pink roses. Mrs. Pleasants wore pink accordeon pleated chiffon and carried white sweet peas.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Lytch left for a trip to Atlanta and other Southern cities. They were accompanied to Dillon by the bridal party and other friends in machines.

Miss Pleasants is quite pretty, very accomplished and exceedingly popular with all who know her. The groom is a pharmacist graduate of the State University, but is at present buying cotton in Rowland. It is a great delight to every one here that they will keep house in our town. Their gifts are humerous and very handsome.

The out-of-town guests for the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. Reid Pleasants, of Carthage; Mr. and Mrs. John Ellis, of Jackson Springs; Misses Lillian and Helen Pleasants, of Aberdeen; Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Sellers and daughter, of Maxton; Mr. Ernest Smith of Laurinburg; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Stacy, of Lumberton; Mrs. Duncan McRae, of Fayetteville; Miss Janie McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Stackhouse, of Dillon.

On Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. B. A. Edens, the "Just for Fun Club" gave a very enjoyable and unique linen shower for Miss Kate Pleasants, the season's bride. The spacious reception hall and dining room were prettily decorated with holly, mistletoe and Christmas wreaths for the occasion.

On Monday night Mr. Edison Lytch gave a delightful barbecue in compliment to the participants in the Pleasants-Lytch wedding. The barbecue was served around a beautiful fire made of oak logs, near the power house, and was a real treat with the various sauces and pickles. About 40 guests partook of Mr. Lytch's hospitality.

CLARA BARTON MISSION.

Mrs. Toon Makes Full Report and Gives Card of Thanks.

Mrs. E. Glenn Toon makes the following report for the year, closing yesterday, of the Clara Barton Memorial Mission:

"During the months, February and March, 748 donations of food—48 baskets—vegetable soup made every day and rich oyster soup once a week for the sick, both white and colored; 48 pair of chickens heavy hose; nine pair of shoes and other clothing, were made to the Clara Barton Memorial Mission for the year 1915.

"Druggists contributed medicine for white and colored.

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"Money received from white people, $135.25; received from colofed, $47; Total, $182.25. Of the above amount $164.25 was given to organizations and to individual relief. The remaining $18 collected from the colored churches will go toward the fund for the aged colored people's home.

"The mission has been rendering aid all during the summer months, while Thanksgiving and Christmas ended the year with her blessings of 'Good Cheer' to many needy ones."

Mrs. Toon has expressed her thanks for the generous donations and kind assistance in this worthy cause. She wishes also to extend grateful appreciation to the soldiers stationed at Fort Caswell and the good people of Southport for the aid rendered by them. They have been very generous in their donations to the cause.

PERSONALS.

—Messrs. M. McGwyn and J. T. Bussells, of Southport, were in the city yesterday, guests at The Orton.

—Messrs. J. W. Parks and Gunner Gurley, of Fort Caswell, were in the city yesterday, guests at Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. C. P. Scott, of Hopewell, Va., is spending a few days visiting relatives in the city, a guest at Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. A. T. Dowdy, of City Point, Va., who spent the holidays here with relatives, returned last night to resume his work there.

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FIVE SEPARATE SUITS TO TEST INCOME TAX

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For Nearly Fifty Years the Fight for and Against a Federal Income Tax Has Been Somewhere in the Courts.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Five separate suits to test the constitutionality of the new income tax were brought in the federal courts throughout the country soon after the law become effective and all found their way to the Supreme Court of the United States soon after.

For nearly fifty years the fight for and against a federal income tax has been somewhere in the courts.

The income tax imposed during the Civil war and the years immediately following were not attacked with the seriousness of later cases. It was not until the Cleveland administration placed an income tax in the Wilson tariff act that the fight became serious.

The contest over the validity of the tax in 1894 and 1895 before the Supreme Court was one of the most bitter ever fought out before that court. One of the lawyers, James C. Carter, warned the court against setting up its judgment to thwart the will of sixty million people. Joseph H. Choate, opposing, called upon the court to exercise its judicial power regardless of any popular or populistic propaganda.

At first the court decided that the tax was unconstitutional as to rents from land because it was a direct tax not apportioned according to population, and 4) was unconstitutional as to interest on municipal bonds. Only eight judges participated and they were evenly divided as to the validity of other features of the law. A rehearing was granted and Justice Jackson, then dying, took his place on the bench to listen to the last arguments in his lifetime. Justice Jackson voted to sustain the law. Justice Harlan created a sensation by announcing from the bench that another justice had changed his mind over night on the question, and the entire tax, both as to realty and as to income from personalty was set aside on the ground that it was a direct tax and not apportioned according to population, as was required by the constitution on direct taxes.

An agitation for an amendment to the constitution then began. It came to nothing until President Taft recommended the enactment of an excise tax on corporations to be measured by their income and an amendment to the constitution to permit the levying of an income tax on all income. The amendment was submitted to the states at once and was proclaimed as the sixteenth amendment to the constitution on March 1, 1913.

It provided:

"The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes from whatever source derived without apportionment among the several states and without regard to any census or enumeration."

Congress availed itself of the first opportunity to exercise the new power by incorporating into the tariff act which became effective October 3, 1913, the present income tax. Five suits, all challenging the validity of certain features of the tax were:

Frank R. Brushaber, stockholder of the Union Pacific Railroad Co., seeking in the New York Federal courts, to enjoin the company from paying the tax.

John F. Dodge and Horace E. Dodge, manufacturers of Detroit, Mich., in the Michigan Federal courts, to enjoin the internal revenue collector from collecting the tax, largely on the ground that it discriminated against copartnerships in favor of corporations.

John R. Stanton, stockholder of the Baltic Mining Company, in the Massachusetts federal courts, to enjoin the company and others from paying the tax, largely because of the five per cent. annual deduction from income allowed mining companies for ore depletion.

Tyee Realty Company, in the New York federal court, to enjoin the collector o finternal revenue.

Edwin Thorne, in the New York federal court, to enjoin the collector, largely on the ground that the additional or surtax imposed on incomes over $20,000 was unconstitutional.

In each instance the lower court held the tax constitutional, and the case was brought to the Supreme Court on appeal. The cases were advanced for early hearing and were submitted to the court for decision on October 15, 1915, twenty years after the first great income tax decisions.

DAVE BRYANT HELD IN JAIL

Charged With Shooting to Death Clarence Kennedy in Craven.

(Speci alStar Correspondence.)

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 31.—So incriminating was the evidence introduced against Dave Bryant, colored, given a preliminary hearing yesterday afternoon before Squire S. R. Street, on a warrant charging him with shooting to death Clarence Kennedy at James City on Christmas Eve, that the magistrate held the defendant for trial without allowing him an opportunity to give bond.

The hearing was held in the court house and was attended by several hundred negroes and a number of whites. A large number of witnesses were introduced and the evidence given by these showed that the killing was by no means accidental.

MR. JOHN WILLIAM THOMAS DEAD

Father of Representative Thomas Dies at Home in Anson.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wadesboro, N. C., Dec. 31.—Another of Anson county's most substantial and honored citizens passed over the divide just before the end of 1915. Mr. John William Thomas died at his home in Burnsville township yesterday at 1:30. Mr. Thomas would have been 75 years of age on February 7. He was in splendid health up until his trip to Richmond when he attended the last Confederate Reunion, at which time he contracted a severe case of bronchitis, to which he succumbed yesterday. Surviving him are his widow and five sons. Mr. F. Ed Thomas, the present representative from Anson county, is one of the sons surviving.

A black eye in a woman may indicate temper. A black eye in a man may prove "the other fellow" has the temper.

TO SUCCEED WITH PECANS

Specific Advice on Varieties, Planting, Fertilization and Cultivation, is Here Given.

(Progressive Farmer.)

Where soil and climatic conditions are suited, it has been repeatedly demonstrated that pecan growing is a paying investment. There are thousands of acres of idle land throughout the Cotton Belt that could with a moderate outlay of cash be set to pecans and in a few years be made to yield their owners paying dividends If success is to be attained, however, one fact must be borne in mind—only budded or grafted trees should be planted. Numerous inquirers ask if nuts from a paper shell pecan will not produce a tree bearing paper shell pecans. Experience has shown that on an average three to four in 1,000 come true to name. Such variance obviously makes it impracticable to take such a risk. Thus the only solution is the use of budded or grafted trees of well known and meritorious varieties. The purchaser should make sure further that his trees are propagated from grafts or buds taken from good, bearing trees. Trees budded or grafted on thrifty two or three-year old seedlings are very satisfactory for planting.

In the South pecans can be safely transplanted as soon as they reach the dormant stage in the fall, during mild spells in winter, and even up to the first of March in spring. Fall planting is best. The trees should be planted 40 to 60 feet apart each way, according to the type of soil. The pecan is adapted to many different types of soils and nearly every soil in the Gulf States can be made to produce it, from the rich alluvial bottom soil to the hill lands and cut-over pine lands. It should never be planted in pipe clay or soggy soils, as "wet feet" for the pecan is as bad as for the human, and sour soils, if they do not actually kill the tree, never produce satisfactory results.

Handling and Transplanting.

Upon receipt of the trees from the nursery, great care must be exercised in preventing the roots from drying out and becoming exposed to the atmosphere. Roots must be kept covered and moist at all times. Therefore, in taking a tree to its place in the orchard the roots should be kept in the folds of a moist sack or other such material. When removed, from the sack, it should be placed immediately into the hole, which should have been previously dug. Holes should be at least two feet across and two feet deep.

When trees are planted on a soil underlaid with a stiff subsoil, blasting with dynamite is strongly urged. The use of one half stick at each place, sunk into the soil deep enough to loosen the soil and too deep to clean out the hole, is recommended Cut off the ends of all bruised and broken roots, leaving a smooth cut surface. For this purpose a sharp knife is much better than a hatchet. Part of the tap root should be removed, as this will stimulate the tree to send out laterals. In this way the tree will receive more food and at the same time these laterals will give it a firmer anchorage. Place the tree in the hole slightly deeper than it stood in the nursery row, fill in about the roots with well-pulverized top soil in which there is incorporated some well rotted manure Fill in the remainder of the hole with bottom soil. Pack soil well about the roots of the tree and leave several inches of loose soil on top to act as a mulch. The pecan will require no training of the head.

It is a mistake to think that the pecan will require no cultivation. Hardly any other tree will more richly repay good cultivation than will the pecan. Frequent harrowing and the addition of fertilizers is necessary if you expect results. The land between the rows may be utilized until the trees are large enough to need it, by planting such crops as peas, beans, potatoes, cotton, or vegetables. Bone meal, barnyard manure, or a mixed commercial fertilizer applied to those crops will act favorably on the pecans.

The pecan should come into bearing at five to seven years, and sometimes as early as three years, but paying results will hardly ever be had before the tree is eight or ten years old. A ten year old tree should produce from 1 0to 50 pounds of nuts. Only budded or grafted, well cared for trees will come into heavy bearing this early. Seedlings will require much longer.

The natural distribution of the pecan includes 15 degrees of latitude. Some cultivated varieties are hardy as far north as northern Illinois. However, certain varieties of pecans, like other fruits, are well adapted to certain localities and do not grow so well in other localities. Thus a half dozen of the best tested and well known sorts will be amply sufficient for any commercial or home grower. To this end we have been investigating the different pecans for several years. In this investigation stress has been laid on large size, good flavor, thin shell, easy cracking qualities, and freedom from disease. The result of this research has been the selection of the following varieties of pecans as exceptionally well suited to general Southern planting: Stuart, Success, Schley, Pabst, Van Deman, and Frotcher's Eggshell. Of course there are a number of other varieties of high quality, among them the Delmas, Hall, Russell, Papershell, Columbian, and Big Z, which may do even better than the above named varieties in certain localities

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Agricultural College, Miss.

PRESENT CONDITIONS IN RUSSIA.

The economic conditions of Russia have been considerably disturbed, but not shattered, during the present European war as a direct consequence of preventing export of produce and raw materials. Only two ports are now open to Russia, viz., Vladivostok on the Pacific and Archangel on the White sea. The latter is closed, more or less, during the fourth winter months, although powerful ice-breakers are expected to operate in an effort to keep the channel open as late as possible and to open it earlier in the spring than usual.

There remains in Northern Finland the railway to Sweden and Norway giving traffic connections with the allies, as well as with friendly and neutral counties. This is extensively used, so that the domestic railways and interior waterways are not able to clear the wharves, docks and storage places from the congestion and from the constantly arriving freight, principally of war material for the government.

The transportation facilities have proved absolutely inadequate and great hardship is suffered in many places from the lack of wood, coal and oil for fuel and power. Prices of food and the prime necessities of life are high, even in such places as are fairly well provided with good roads, railway and water connections. The Central Government is doing its best to ameliorate conditions, but as every energy is directed toward active prosecution of the war itself, it is practically impossible to carry out satisfactorily these humanitarian purposes.

Credit is needed by the Russian merchant importing American goods, but not to the extent in the value of the merchandise nor on such long terms as he was accustomed to obtain from both Austria and Germany. To facilitate these transactions, direct banking facilities between Russia and the United States are essential, because not a single Russian bank has a branch in the United States nor has one American bank a branch in Russia.

Today Russia is absolutely offering to Americans enormous concessions of varying character in European Russia, Siberia, Asiatic Russia, the Trans-Caspia, Turkestan and the Caucasus, upon the most liberal terms. These concessions include railways, both steam and electric, urban, interurban, or practically trans-continental, bridges, canals and locks, transportation on interior waterways, utilization of the empire's enormous water power, mines, dredging operations—both harbor and internal waterways, mines, industrial, manufacturing, or public service plants; and virtually everything in any way allied to economic development or improvement.—W. Aisenman in American Industries for December.

VISITORS SEE STORES FIRST

Grant's Tomb and Other Landmarks In New York City Have to Wait.

(Wall Street Journal).

That this is the age of commercialism is even shown by the visitors to New York City. Formerly they hastened to see Eden Musee, Grant's Tomb and other notable landmarks. Now their first stop is at the department stores, and these seem to be a continual surprise and an ever-increasing source of astonishment.

It is hard for the visitors to realize that under one roof everything one needs from the cradle to the coffin can be obtained, and with no more difficulty or delay than the small-town merchant takes to wrap up a paper of pins. Few realize what constant supervision must be exercised over every department to see that losses are out to the minimum, and that not only every article must be kept in its place, but also that the warehouses must be well stocked with goods to take care of any early calls for renewing the stock.

An example of the high efficiency under which this class of stores is run can be seen in the fur storage department of one of the local stores. During the past summer they stored more than 8,000 articles, valued at nearly $1,000,000, and their total losses on them were $25.

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THEATRICAL

"When Dreams Come True," a new musical comedy by Philip Batholomae, will be shown at the Academy of Music at an early date.

Wm. Pruette, Jr., is at the head of a cast enlisting the services of some of the best known names in musical comedy: Connie Mack, Edna Temple, Elsie Thomas, Estelle Newton, James Crowley, Gertrude Fayot, and others will be in the line-up of principals—and a dainty, demure chorus of dancing darlings will help to while away the evening for the "tired business man." The dancing numbers, of which there are nearly a score, will be a feature of the entertainment.

"When Dreams Come True" has for its theme the adventures of a young man who has been living a gay life in Paris. Forced to forsake the French capital, he starts home and falls in love with a young American on the voyage. Ashore romance progresses, running now and then into melodrama and farce, but ultimately culminating in a happy climax.

The musical numbers are all composed by Silvio Hein, who has gained much fame as a composer of light opera.

The gowning of the feminine contingent with "When Dreams Come True" is a feature that will be especially pleasing to the ladies. The gowns are modeled from the latest European creations and are elaborate in texture and style.

"Bella Donna."

"Bella Donna", the celebrated novel and play which has been converted into a Paramount Feature by the Famous Players, with Pauline Frederick in the role which made Alla Nazimova famous, is a striking combination of intense tragedy and exquisite Oriental settings.

As a "best seller" the novel created a stir a few years ago, and was the

PAULINE FREDERICK,
Starring in "Bella Donna," Royal Tomorrow.

basis for the play "Bella Donna" in which Madame Nazimova, the distinguished Russian actress, won her first American triumph, and an even greater success than she won in the Ibsen roles which made her famous.

In this great screen play, Pauline Frederick, who scored such a triumph in "Zaza" far exceeds her previous performance in the presentation of this wiley, serpent-like viper who poisons the one man who has tried to lift her from the depths to which she has sunk. The role of "Bella Donna" is probably the greatest test for which any actress can be submitted, for she must be hateful, cruel, savage, treacherous and at the same time she must be fascinating so that she may grip and hold the attention of her audience throughout the performance. Therefore "Bella Donna" may be looked upon as one of the greatest Paramount triumphs in many months.

Great Series at Bijou.

Next Tuesday the Bijou starts the greatest series of smashing big photoplay productions that has ever been issued by the Universal, find that is saying a heap. It is not a serial story, but a series of stories, all on the same line and with the same characters, entitled "Lord John's Journal." They are being published in McClure's Magazine and "The Ladies' World" and are from the pen of those great authors, C. N. and A. M. Williamson, whose fame as short story writers rank among the country's greatest.

The first story in this series, 'Lord John in New York," comes to the Bijou next Tuesday, and is in four reels. Starring in the title role of this wonderful series of story-photoplays is none other than handsome, popular "Billie" Garwood, supported with beautiful Gretchen Lederer as leading lady. One of these splashing special features will be released every month for the 12 months of 1916, and Bijou patrons may look forward to and watch for each announcement of its coming—it is presented with the personal guarantee of the Bijou management to be the biggest treat ever presented to their patrons.

Sea Drama at Bijou.

Sea dramas have an appeal all their own. The fresh tang of the salt air, when expertly imparted to a photoplay, furnishes one of the most refreshing of spectacles.

Tomorrow's leading feature at the Bijou is one of the most refreshing sea dramas of several months. "The Bride of the Nancy Lee" is a two-reel drama starring beautiful and talented Myrtle Gonzales in the leading role, supported by Frank Newburg, Val Paul and other stars, and tells a tempestuous tale of a mutiny at sea, a thrilling shipwreck and of the final clearing of a woman's name from an unjust charge. Throughout the whole production is a charming element of the true to life sea yarn that imparts an exquisite flavor to this offering.

"Her Speedy Affair," is one of pretty Billie Rhodes' most charming comedy productions. Billie is a "speed bug" in this Nestor and in spite of her father's protests she indulges in 60-mile an hour sprints. She is supported in her laugh making stunts by Neal Burns and Ray Gallagher.

"Slightly Mistaken," is a rousing Joker comedy, starring William Franey, Lillian Peacock, Gale Henry and Max Asher, four of filmdom's greatest fun makers.

At the Grand Tomorrow.

A great feature starts the first week in the new year at the Grand tomorrow. If this show keeps up to the standard to be set tomorrow, it will certainly be going some.

"A Child in Judgment", an appealing title within itself, but the story that is unfolded in this three-reel special Edison feature is of universal and world-wide heart appeal—the heretofore unfaithful wife, tired of the deadening round and her old cloths, who listens to vanity's voice when God speaks to her through the tragic deed of her child. The picture has been logically developed, and the interest is never allowed to lag for one moment for the entire time of 45 minutes that it is on the screen.

There's a new brand of comedies under the sun. The name is "Vim", and there is certainly some vim to the first one, "A Pair of Birds," that is also on tomorrow's big bill at the Grand. Don't miss it, it is something new in the comedy line.

Love things of Paradise by day and dreams of Heaven by night.

William Garwood in "Lord John's Journal"
GOLD SEAL Serial—Episode No. 1

HUNGARY'S SOLUTION OF THE COST OF LIVING

Prime Minister Makes Interesting Review of Situation.

Not Finding It So Easy to Economize as Does Germany—Kitchen Gardening Great Factor—Fair to All Parties.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.)

Budapest, Dec. 10. — An interesting review of Hungary's economic position during the present war, was given today by Count Stephan Tisza, the prime minister, before a meeting of members of the Hungarian diet, who have been formed into a committee that is to inquire into the high cost of living problem.

In commenting upon the memorandum which the committee submitted to him for suitable action, Count Tisza, speaking of references made to the satisfactory economic position of Germany, said, among other things:

"It is not my intention to doubt at all that conditions in Germany are not so bad as with us. Germany has not alone the needed economic factors and organization to prevent this, but it is also on so high a social plane that the solution of a question like this becomes much easier. We must also take into consideration that in Germany living is cheaper than here, even in times of peace. Germany, for instance, has so greatly developed her kitchen gardening that now she has been able to meet many wants with its products. But if we keep in mind the difference in the cost of living in Germany and Hungary, as it exists in times of peace, it will be found that the war prices here and there are almost in the same relation."

Count Tisza denied that he had favored the producer as against the consumer. If such a state of affairs existed then he was not to blame, he said. It was known that the Agrarians had never loved him, and every effort had been made by him to guard against the reproach that he favored one class at the expense of another. Nothing that the Hungarian government could have done would have resulted in bringing more food and other necessities into Hungary from neutral countries, said the prime minister. An earlier suspension of import duties would not have helped, because Hungarian importers had been willing to pay this duty themselves, and meat could not be brought from neutral countries, because the enemy was proceeding against neutral shipping in the most merciless fashion, and was now regulating the quantities of food that could be imported by such neutral countries from which Hungary in her turn would obtain supplies.

The application of maximum prices had been made too late, said Count Tisza. But for this two good reasons could be given. In the first place last year's crop had been badly overestimated, so that final returns showed a s hortage. Secondly, the government had been disinclined to meddle with economic affairs of the country.

Count Tisza said that the value of the labor done by prisoners of war was not very high, had, in fact, been a disappointment. The cost of a prisoner of war working on the farm was from two to three crowns a day, but it had been found that it did not pay. On his own properties no prisoners of war had been employed but he had been obliged, in common with others, to pay extravagantly high prices for the labor of old men, women and c hildren. This was one reason why the cost of living in Hungary had gone up. The agriculturists had not made the money many people believed, and as the memorandum c laimed. The fact was that though the Hungarian property owners had usually enough money they could not p low their acres with it. The soil, owing to the absence of trained farm-laborers, had not been as well cultivated as it was in other times. Crop returns had been less, therefore, though owners had paid a higher price for the work done on the land.

In conclusion Count Tisza said that the government was giving full heed to the various economic problems of the war, but was meeting many obstacles inherent to the minute regulation which seemed advisable. How to regulate the consumption of meat was a question of overwhelming proportions, but one, nevertheless, which the government hoped to solve soon. The Hungarian government was not alone obliged to look after the needs of its own population, but the imports in meat and cereals which had to be made into Austria h ad also to be kept in mind constantly, he said.

LARGE INDEMNITY IS OUT OF THE QUESTION

O. .nion of Joseph King, Member of British Parliament.

Answers Question, at Close of War Will It be Possible and Good Policy for Victor to Require Indemnity of Vanquished.

London, Dec. 27.—"The exaction of a large indemnity as a part of the terms of peace in the present war is, I believe, out of the question," declares Joseph King, member of parliament from Somerset, who has figured in the house of commons for the past five years as an expert on economic questions. The question as put to him was, at the close of the war, will it be possible, and if possible, will it be a good policy, for the victor to impose heavy money indemnity on the vanquished?

In his reply, Mr. King naturally assumed that the Entente Powers will be the victors, but he insisted that they have little to gain from an effort to extract indemnity from Germany and her allies.

"Of course," he says, "we hear many English remark: 'Certain, we shall make Germany pay every penny we can get out of her, and we shall go on fighting until we can get terms including a big sum in money?' That sounds very simple, but is it possible? The imposition of an indemnity is a very complicated and difficult question to decide.

"Take, for example, the huge indemnity paid after 1871 by France to Germany. As a consequence of this, the prosperity and trade of France was recuperative and p rogressive, while Germany was depressed and suffering. Bismarck himself acknowledged this, and economists in both France and Germany attributed it to the way in which Germany received her French indemnity payments.

"In subsequent wars, notably the Russo-Japanese war, claims for indemnities in money, even when made by the victors, have not been pressed, because of the immense di¼culties which they present.

"Any indemnity commensurate with the range and losses of this war must be taken at a huge figure. Five billion dollars, a sum less than the British parliament has already voted for the war, may be taken as the lowest figure likely to be named. Now to pay five billion dollars from one side to another is impossible in gold. Even if gold payments could be made, the immediate result would only be to immensely inflate prices in the country receiving the gold. Prices being raised enormously with no increase in the volume of trade, manufacturers or commodities, would mean intense privation to the poor and a complete upset of commerce.

"The French government surprised the world when in September, 1873, just 27 months after the first indemnity payment, she paid to Germany the last installment, making a total of a billion dollars. France was able to do this by buying credit bills in London, Amsterdam and elsewhere. One-third of a billion dollars' worth of bills were bought in London, for English trade had been brisk while Germany and France were fighting, and London bankers had been lending while French and German armies had been spending. The neutrality and activity of England made the indemnity easy. In the circumstances of the present war, no such neutral trading and banking countries exist.

"If Germany has to pay a huge indemnity, she cannot do it by shipments of gold, nor by transferring debts due her, nor by creating fresh debts. She can pay only by her commerce or productive industry. If her manufacturing and shipping and trading houses could be started at once in full swing, immediately the war ends, she might soon be paying off indemnity. But her men will be gone, her credit vanished, her system overturned. The possibility of paying under these conditions seems remote.

"If Germany's wonderful productivity and trading enterprises are to be revived after the war in order to pay indemnities to her enemies, it means that her enemies will have to trade with her far more than they did before the war. If the impoverished workers of Germany are to make wealth to pay, then there must be customers for their work. Those can only be found among the Allies. Will they want to encourage trade with her, while their own mills and workmen are depressed and perhaps idle? Will those of the Allies who have been Protectionist before, notably Russia, become Free Trade in order that German workers may produce profits to pay indemnity?

"Writers who have studied the subject are agreed that a nation which proves victorious in war may with profit and advantage impose a money indemnity on the vanquished only under very exceptional circumstances, and three conditions are requisite: The nation paying the indemnity must be very wealthly; it must be immeasurably weaker in military strength than the victor; and, the war must be of short duration.

"There is one possible way, however, in which the equivalent of an indemnity might figure in the Allies' peace terms. In this latest and greatest war new and astonishing methods of warfare and action have been widely introduced, old traditions and conventions of war have been thrown to the winds. May it not be so after the war that new proposals for peace will be put forward? For instance, why not require Germany to supply so many tons of steel, cement, timber, stone, bricks, for rebuilding devastated Belgium? Why not agree to trading conventions that would allow the Allies the benefit of mutual trade and commerce? Why not get certain advantages over land rates between the West of Europe and Russia across Germany? And other similar concessions will occur readily. The object of those would not be, like that of an indemnity, to disarm and weaken the vanquished, but it would be a possible policy to arrange trade or services on terms which would obviously be advantageous to the victors. The possibilities of civilization are not exhausted, even if a crushing indemnity is in the nature of events out of the question."

RELIGION IN THE RANKS.

Soldiers Not Ashamed to Kneel in the Trenches and Pray

"There is not one of us who is ashamed to drop upon his knees and pray at any moment, for we face death all the time. * * * We have a chaplain who comes up into the front line every day, no matter how dangerous and rough things may be; in fact, he always makes for the most dangerous places on principle. One day during the particularly hot bombardment instead of leaving the trenches 'the padre,' as he is called, strode up and down the line, cheering and helping. Wherever the bombardment was strongest that place became his objective, and it was noticed that it slackened off as soon as he reached the locality. Daily he comes down the line, giving away sweets and cigarettes with a cheering word. He is an elderly man and when we ask him why he comes into danger as he does when there is no call he tells us that he has no wife, his family is grown up, and so he feels he can be better spared than many.

"They say that he is a Leeds parson, but that he has been in the colonies. He is always glad to give communion to Nonconformists. All the men worship him. I shall try to find out his name, but at present he is 'the padre'—the simplest, finest gentleman I have ever met, and he has stood the test. There is another man who has great influence out here. He is a priest attached to an Irish regiment. He insists upon charging every time with the men, and no one dare protest. He is absolutely the idol of the regiment."
—The Padre.

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Chords and Discords

Business.

The station was the scene of much activity as it was about time for the departure of the northbound train, and the travelers were hurrying to the entrance gate preparatory to embarking. Here and there the voice of the newsboy was heard above the din of the noise. A traveling man called to one in answer to which there was a quick response from at least a half a dozen. One little fellow extended his paper in return for which he was handed a half dollar. Not having the change, he turned to a fellow newsy and inquired if he had change to which a negative answer was given. Turning to his customer he assured him that he would get change and return immediately. Then turning he scurried to get same. The fellow that he had asked promptly turned to the customer and extended a paper and change for the half.

With a smile the traveler turned to the little fellow and remarked "Don't you know it is wrong to tell a lie?"

"Yes, sir," the tot replied, "when you really tell a lie but you see in this case it's business."

Writing Up Weddings.

"Why do you always write up weddings the same way," asked a well informed professional man the other day of a newspaper man, who has been in the business for a long time.

"Well in the first place," remarked the news gatherer, "you see there is but one way to say that the bride was beautiful. She is either beautiful or she is not—and of course she always is. And then there is but one way to describe her dress, you know, and but one way to tell the names of everybody that was there.

"Now, of course, we could take most weddings and write an interesting human interest story, but that might not meet with favor and nobody wants to do anything that would make a bridal couple unhappy."

Growing wise in his own estimation, the reporter proceeded to expatiate at some length upon the fact that most weddings are just weddings anyway. He even went so far as to say that the average wedding is a rather prosaic affair for everybody except those directly interested—even said that there wasn't usually much out of the ordinary about the average wedding and gently suggested that society might inaugurate a change in the method of conducting these events.

Just a Little Incident.

It was just after Christmas Day and the memory of a visit home had not taken itself from his mind, but was being gently pressed aside with the realization of the strenuous months just ahead. However, a human mind has a way of drawing itself aside from the burdens of life and as the day's work was done, the world's gossip, with all the local church stories, had been "sent back" and the newspaperman sat down in the cell allotted to him by fate and soon passed into the land of slumbers, where Boards of Health do not exist and Chambers of Commerce forever drawing on his energy to acquaint the public with their actions are entirely unknown. He forgot that Council was to meet the next day and would for the 33rd time sound the note of warning that decreased taxes made economy the necessary watchword and expect him to grind out a story telling all about it. There were no commonplace weddings to molest; no funerals to think about; only visions of real happiness, of joy and of peace.

The fairy, who has the wand governing dreams, carried his senses into a dearly loved home many miles away. He heard gentle laughter; 'twas that of winsome Mary Jane who was telling the family circle gathered there to spend the holidays with "home folks," a story of youth and love. He listened again and from out the night there came the sweet, sweet strains of music; 'twas the violin of pretty Sallie B., playing the sweet strains of a favorite selection. Across the way he heard strange sounds, like some chattering bird, with all its happiness expressed in the clear ringing voice; 'twas that of beautiful Sarah as she bade her lover farewell and admonished him to be careful and not fall in the creek as he went home.

Then there was borne upon him a vision from a corner in the large and beautiful parlor that contained two chairs and a little girl in one while the other was empty. She was pale but charming. Her face was lighted with an expression of hope. She looked for a second in the empty chair and raised her hand beseechingly to beckon the heavy hearted newspaperman to join her. The air seemed filled with the tingling of Heavenly bells. There seemed to be a great stirring of things and the door opened. Apparently there was entering a wedding procession, only lacking the bride and groom. The romantic dreamer thought he heard a voice calling him to join the angelic girl in the corner and play the missing part of the procession. He seemed gripped by some power so firmly that he couldn't move. Vainly he tried to move toward the beautiful girl, whose face was the synonym of love to him. Again a voice broke the stillness.

"I say, scoop! Don't you hear that fire bell ringing? Lathrop & Jones stables are afire and only 30 minutes till press time! Can't you wake up and hustle in a pinch! We've got to have the story right now!"

ONLY 20,000 ARE LEFT IN CITY OF BELGRADE

Before War it Had Population of Nearly 100,000.

This Serbian City Suffered Less Destruction Under Two Bombardments Than Other Cities in Wake of German Fire.

Belgrade, Dec. 10.—(Correspondence of Associated Press).—Were it not for the soldiery, Belgrade would make the impression of a deserted city. An Associated Press correspondent, the first American permitted to visit the city after its capture, was surprised to learn that nearly or quite one fifth of the inhabitants are still here. Belgrade had nearly 100,000 inhabitants before the war, and there are now some 20,000 left. As a result, the better sections of the city are really deserted in the full meaning of the word, and the observer may wander through the main streets for hours without seeing a score of civilians.

In comparison with many cities in East Prussia, Poland and Belgium, Belgrade did not suffer greatly from the two bombardments which it underwent. Little damage was done in the main business section. Here and there a shell damaged buildings more or less—none was totally destroyed—and a few houses bear the marks of exploding shrapnel shells. Considerable damage was done to factory buildings along the bank of the Save.

The chief destruction is confined to that part of the city south of the fortress. This section, comprising from one fifth to one fourth of the entire city, is all but utterly destroyed. A fierce street battle raged here for two days, following the landing of the Hungarians below the citadel. The Austro-Hungarian artillery at first dropped a great number of 30.5 centimeter shells into this section to make it impossible for the defenders to hold their ground. On the second day a report come that a Serbian division from Obrenovac, about 25 miles west of Belgrade, was marching to the support of the troops in the city. Thereupon the Austro-Hungarian batteries laid their fire further back to curtain off the approaching reinforcements.

The destruction thus wrought was most thorough. In the whole section under fire there is hardly a single building which was not hit fairly at least once and most of the very few thus undamaged were crushed by the terrible air wave resulting from the explosion of the shell from the "thirty-point-five." One of these great projectiles penetrated four floors and the roof of a building before exploding. At some points a stench betrays bodies still under the ruins.

Most of the damage done in the principal part of the city dates from a year or more ago, and is mainly the result of shots fired in answer to occasional shots from the Serbian batteries. The damage to the old and new Konaks, the king's palaces, dates from then. No shots fell in this district during the last bombardment. One large shell has fallen into the ballroom of the old Konak, but the destruction is not so great as one would expect. A small shell has made a hole into the new Konak, and shrapnel has marked it somewhat.

Two trolley lines are in operation in the city, directed and manned by the military. The two drug stores still open are under military direction, with soldier apothecaries in charge. Two or three moving picture shows are also being run by the military authorities. The proceeds of the drug stores and shows are divided into equal parts, one of which is kept for the owner, for the event that he ever returns to claim it, and the other half is devoted to taking care of the poor of the city.

About 7,000 Serbians receive a daily ration from the military authorities. Another 4,000 are employed on various public works, such as paving, street cleaning, etc. It is declared that the city is cleaner today than it has ever been before.

IMPORTANT QUESTION

Are We Taking Care of Roads as Well as Building Them?

(Sanford Express).

It would be fine if we had nobody but ourselves to swindle—if we could not sell the future a gold brick and cash it in now. Under such conditions the gold brick industry would decline enormously. To take up just one concrete branch of this subject, there is our cheerful habit of mortgaging our unborn children and grandchildren. Says the Clinton Democrat:

"We can't survive the impression that we have wasted a lot of money; that we have built a lot of roads that have gone back to their former condition, from neglect; that we have burdened our posterity with a debt that has proved to be a rather bad investment. We have burdened our children with bonds that will be mighty hard to pay, and we will have to answer for a great deal, if for their $150,000 we leave them a legacy of mudholes, a heritage of sand and water. One of the main defects in our present programme, we think, is the fact that we are spending all our money on construction and are not taking proper thought for the maintenance of roads."

Lee county is heading in the same direction that Sampson has gone. Here we have some of the finest roads in the South. We mortgaged the future to build them and another generation will have them to pay for. We justify ourselves on the ground that the future derives benefit from the roads; but if they are worn out before the bonds fall due, and even before the roads have been of much practical benefit to us, why did we tax ourselves to build them? If these roads are allowed to go through another winter without attention some of them will be nothing more than mudholes and gullies and we will have taxed ourselves and our children to no purpose. Properties that have been created at a cost of $200,000 and that shorten distance and make travel profitable to everybody are certainly worth saving. What are you going to do about it?

CHRISTMAS AT SANATORIUM

Patients Had a Very Enjoyable Holiday Season.

Sanatorium, N. C., Dec. 31.—The patients at the State Sanatorium spent a very enjoyable Christmas. A new record was made in regard to the percentage of patients that were able to attend a meeting. Every patient at the institution save seven were present.

The exercises on Christmas Eve consisted of a beautiful holly Christmas tree, and the presents and the verses that went with it made one think more of the banquet of the Gridiron Club than anything else. The staff of doctors and nurses also came in for their share. The take-off on the superintendent, written mostly in poetry and illustrated, was a work of art. The evening was greatly enjoyed by all.

The Christmas decorations and the Christmas dinner vied with each other in beauty and appropriateness and were greatly enjoyed.

The marshmallow roast indulged in one evening was another of the pleasantries of the season.

A jest that brings a smile from a virtuous woman may bring a frown from a prude. Should danger come, the virtuous woman flies, while the prude stands her ground.

Never ask God to do what no man would do for you.

Abstinence in living insures full measures of gogod health.

Topic for Sunday, January 2, 1916.

"WHAT IS REAL CONSECRATION?" Mark 12:28-34.

Consecration is a subject that is confused in the minds of many Christians, especially those who have not been long in the Master's service. A simple illustration might be that of a clerk who accepts a position in an establishment with certain advantages, which it may bring, in mind, but who is ready to change occupation upon the first hint of a struggle or of advantage to be gained in other lines. In contra-distinction to this, we have the employe, who, after mature consideration, decides to devote his life to a certain occupation, and who, while he may change associates with whom he labors, never for a moment allows the thought of changing occupations to enter his mind. His progress may seem to be fast, or slow, or maybe not at all, depending upon the resistance he meets. But with a steady purpose he continues his course, knowing that eventually he will win. This is consecration.

Consecration to God is simply making up your mind to live for Him and to serve Him, and then doing it. It is on the same principle that a man selects medicine, law, ministry, or any of the various arts, for his vocation in life, prepares himself for the same, and starts to practice. He does not consecrate himself periodically, and state that he consecrates or reconsecrates himself to be a lawyer or whatever he may have selected. People would smile and say, "you are a lawyer, that is the way you earn your livelihood." In other words, he cannot reconsecrate himself until he has changed occupations and returned to his first consecration. So the young Christian consecrates, or sets apart his life to God, and while resistance and trouble comes, he continues with a steady determination, and is consecrated regardless of any mistakes or victories that may take place in his life.

The Monthly Consecration Meeting should really be a combination experience, counsel, and ginger meeting. An experience meeting in which those whose lives have long been consecrated to the service of the Master, shall testify that on coming to the parting of the way, they consecrated their lives to God, had pressed forth with a steady heart and believe that it is the most satisfactory and the only way to spend this short period of time while on earth. It should be a ginger meeting, for the members who have fought and won, or passed through the storms of doubt should be able to testify that such storms fall to the lot of each pilgrim and although the way may be hard and the storm severe, that it pays to make the journey. It should be a counsel meeting, for at this meeting should congregate those who have made the journey over certain stages and difficulties of life, as well as those who are about to pass these points. The older members should be able and willing to confess their mistakes, tell their experience, that those about to take this portion of the journey may profit thereby.

Physicians talk among themselves about a certain portion of the body, say, for instance, the lungs, being affected. To the layman it gives the impression that the person is all right, except for this portion of the body. The physician, however, speaks and it is understood as speaking, only relatively. His colleague understands that not only the lung tissue, but the pleura, all surrounding the tissue, and in fact, the whole body, is sick. So it is with a consecrated Christian. One thing cannot be consecrated. No one can consecrate his money, his service, his time, or his body. The consecration must be of the life, which comprises all. A man could not say that he would consecrate his body to a service, but would not give his time, energy, thought, money or his bodily activities. So if a Christian consecrated his life to God's service, he has given all, and he has nothing more to give.

What the counsel is to a large corporation, the Consecration meeting is to the Christian Endeavor Society. It is important enough to industries that they will bring men thousands of miles that they may receive their advice and know better how to shape the activities of the industry to which they have dedicated their services. Without such meetings our trusts and big business concerns would shortly close their doors. If this assistance cannot be dispensed with in commercial matters, how can it be neglected by the Christian Endeavor Society whose mission on earth is the shaping of lives for the Master? Is it too much to ask that every member be present at each Consecration meeting?

Consecration is not a matter of feeling. No one can feel consecrated. You are either consecrated or not, depending on decision. The feelings which arise are the result of the knowledge that you have settled the important decision of your life. It is the enthusiasm that comes as you see before you the straight and the open road over which progress is assured. It is the peace that comes to him whose conscience is right, who is in harmony with the world, and can appreciate the sunshine, the birds, and all nature—the glories with which God has so wonderfully blessed His children.

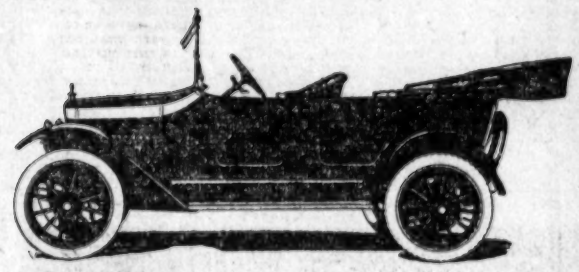
A consecrated life is the life dedicated to the Master's service. This service is always made manifest by our service to our fellowmen, our brothers. We can do nothing for the Master directly. He does not need our assistance to keep the stars in place, or to guide the old world on its daily travel, but He does need us to tell those who have not heard, of His wonderful love, to give a cup of water to the thristy, to teach the children and to act as His ambassadors on earth, to point the right way to erring men. A consecrated life is thus made manifest in its service to others.

"Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord,
By the power of grace divine;
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,
And my will be lost in Thine.

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross, where Thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To Thy precious, bleeding side."

That woman is best dressed whose dress is never talked about. A woman may forget what she wears, but she will remember what a woman rival wears.

The "Big Three"



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REVOLT LEADERS ARE DENOUNCED IN CHINA

Government Edict is Issued Warning the Public

Urges Agitators to Quit Their Trouble-Making and to Assist in Strengthening the Government. Text of the Edict.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.)

Peking, Dec. 10.—The Chinese government has issued an edict denouncing Sun Yat Sen, Huang Hsing and other revolutionary leaders who are now in Japan directing a campaign of agitation. The edict warns the public against the activity of these rebel leaders, and urges the agitators now in China to quit their trouble-making and to assist in strengthening the government.

Sun Yat Sen is known in China as Sun Wen, and Huang Hsing was known in China during the revolutionary days as Chu Ming Tang. The latter was a member of the executive committee of the Revolutionary Society and later became generalissimo of the revolutionary army at Wu Chang. Upon the formation of Sun Yat Sen's first cabinet at Nanking, he was made minister of war. When Yuan Shi Kai became president, he made Huang Hsing resident general at Nanking in command of the southern army, but he gradually undermined the general's military authority, and in 1913 it was Huang Hsing who organized the second rebellion. He took command of the rebels at Nanking, but fled to Japan upon hearing of the approach of the northern troops. Last year he visited the United States and was in conference there with a number of enemies of the Chinese government. Last year he was expelled from Sun Yat Sen's party, but the movement to restore a monarchical government in China brought the two revolutionary leaders together, and they are now said to be co-operating in Japan.

Yuan Shi Kai's edict denouncing the rebel leaders reads as follows:

"Recent reports from various places state that the followers of Sun Wen (Sun Yat Sen) and Huang Hsing have created rumors, advanced fallacies, and circulated inflammatory literature printed abroad with the object of arousing the people in the interior to sedition. Requests have been received that these activities should be suppressed.

"It will be remembered that after the revolution of Hsin Hai, Kuantung, Hunan, Kiangsi, Anhui, Kiangsu and Fukien were all under the influence of the rebels, who practiced violence under the name of the republic. They devoted their whole efforts to extorting money from the gentry and merchants, and murdering the good and innocent ones. They gave a false definition to the doctrine of equality and liberty, and advocated that a person should share his property and wife with others. They called right wrong, and vice versa. They tried to deceive the people. In short, their object was to destroy the sense of morality in society, and to abolish the acknowledged principles, human relations, and good customs and practices, and converted this celestial country into a nest of bandits and violent characters.

"When the government tried to check their influences, they at once made an alliance of the six provinces to defy the central authorities. When generals were sent from the central government for their suppression they issued enormous quantities of currency notes with the object of collecting all the silver and gold in the market and then they fled abroad to foreign countries. Consequently all the ring-leaders escaped with large fortunes, leaving their unfortunate followers to suffer for their misdeeds. It has been the principle, even of ordinary robbers, to help their associates and protect their common interests at the risk of their own lives. But even this principle is disregarded among the rabel chiefs who heartlessly pursue their selfish ends at the expense of their accomplices. Hence they are worse than ordinary robbers. Later on they allied themselves with White Wolf, molesting several provinces, which were devastated by ravishing the women, incendiarism, and looting. Their cruel actions baffles description, and the same are all within the memory of this country.

"The Chinese merchants abroad in foreign lands have been industrious and have acquired wealth by sweat and blood. Taking advantage of the ignorance of these overseas Chinese as to the real circumstances of their mother country, these rebels have devised various methods to cheat them of their hard-earned money in order to squander the same as they like. Sometimes a few tufei (bandits) were employed to create a small disturbance, so they might submit a bill of expenditure. But the overseas Chinese have now gradually come to understand their dishonest methods, and have refused to contribute more funds.

"It has always been the practice of these rebels to put forth reports that they have raised several million dollars in such and such a locality, a loan of several million has been contracted, or a quantity of thousands or tens of thousands of arms and ammunition has been purchased. But all these are mere boasts purposely made to deceive their followers and increase their influence. A perusal of ancient and modern histories will convince one that none of such deceivers could effect anything for this country.

"In the second year of Min Kuo the rebellion of Hukow broke out at a time when the finances of the country were very unsatisfactory. The troops of the provinces were very irregular and the condition of the provinces was abnormal. The rebels had at their command the people of six provinces and an army of more than 200,000 with modern war appliances and plenty of supplies. Notwithstanding their influence and the great number of accomplices spread all over the country, they were hopelessly defeated within a period of less than fifty days. Therefore it is plain that there is no chance whatever for the success of plots of about 100, or a few tens of outlaws and thieves who try to put forth rumors in order to overthrow the government.

"Moreover, the finances of the government have now been restored to a normal condition, the troops have been reorganized, and all high officials and troops in the various provinces well understand the right principles, are loyal and patriotic, and will never be influenced by rebels.

"But those who deserve our pity are the enthusiastic young men, who are simple-minded, and the ignorant people whose mind is covetous. They have either been misled or deceived into choosing the wrong path and to suffer for their crime. The said rebels have some times preached to the people the rights of citizens and sometimes agitated among the Chung Hsia Tang (Imperial Clan Society). Their unscrupulous methods vary, but their sole object is to raise rebellion under any pretext, so that they may attain their selfish ends. Taking advantage of the critical situation of their motherland they are now willing to become instruments for the destruction of the nation. Moreover the said rebels are greedy, loving their own skin, and skilful in concealing themselves. They have sacrificed the lives of others without the least scruple. And their wicked and dangerous records can be read by everybody.

"As my heart is full of love for the people I have therefore issued repeated warning and instructions with the object of affording protection to my people. Even the accomplices of the rebels will be immediately pardoned if they repent of their errors and present themselves to the authorities. It is sincerely hoped that all their former crimes and offenses may be buried in oblivion and that these penitents will lead a new life. Thus the inhabitants in various localities will receive blessings. The C hiang Chun and governors of the provinces are hereby instructed to order their respective subordinate officials to put forth their efforts to persuade the people to walk in the proper path.

"Most of my people have parents, wives and children depending upon them for existence, therefore they should never lend ear to rumor so as to choose wrong paths. When they have incurred punishment for their crimes it will be too late for them to repent. They are hereby ordered to live peacefully, enjoy their occupations, provide protection for their lives and develop the interests of their families, thus appreciating the sincerity of my repeated instructions and encouragements.

"All notices and printed matter published by the rebel band for distribution are hereby prohibited transmission, and as soon as they are discovered they are to be committed to the flames, so as to nip sedition in the bud."

U. N. C. ALUMNI BANQUET.

Enjoyable Affair by Lenoir County University Men at Kinston.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 31.—The hall of Hollywood camp, Woodmen of the World, on Queen street, was the scene last night of the annual banquet of the Lenoir county alumni of the University of North Carolina. About 50 alumni, present students of "The Hill" and others were present. Prof. M. C. S. Noble, of the University faculty, was the principal speaker, and Col. H. E. Shaw, solicitor of the local judicial district, presided as toastmaster. Dr. Ira M. Hardy is president of the association of Lenoir county alumni. For several hours the university men and a few guests listened to smart talk by the orators of the occasion, dined and smoked.

BIG BUILDING BOOM.

Expected in Newbern With the Opening Up of the New Year.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 31.—Local contractors and builders are of the opinion that Newbern is going to witness a big building boom after the first of the coming year and that 1916 will witness the erection of a larger number of residences and stores than has been the case here in many years.

Already plans have been made for the erection of a number of dwellings in the city and it is understood that others are now being drawn up.

When hope keeps pace with love the race is nearly won.

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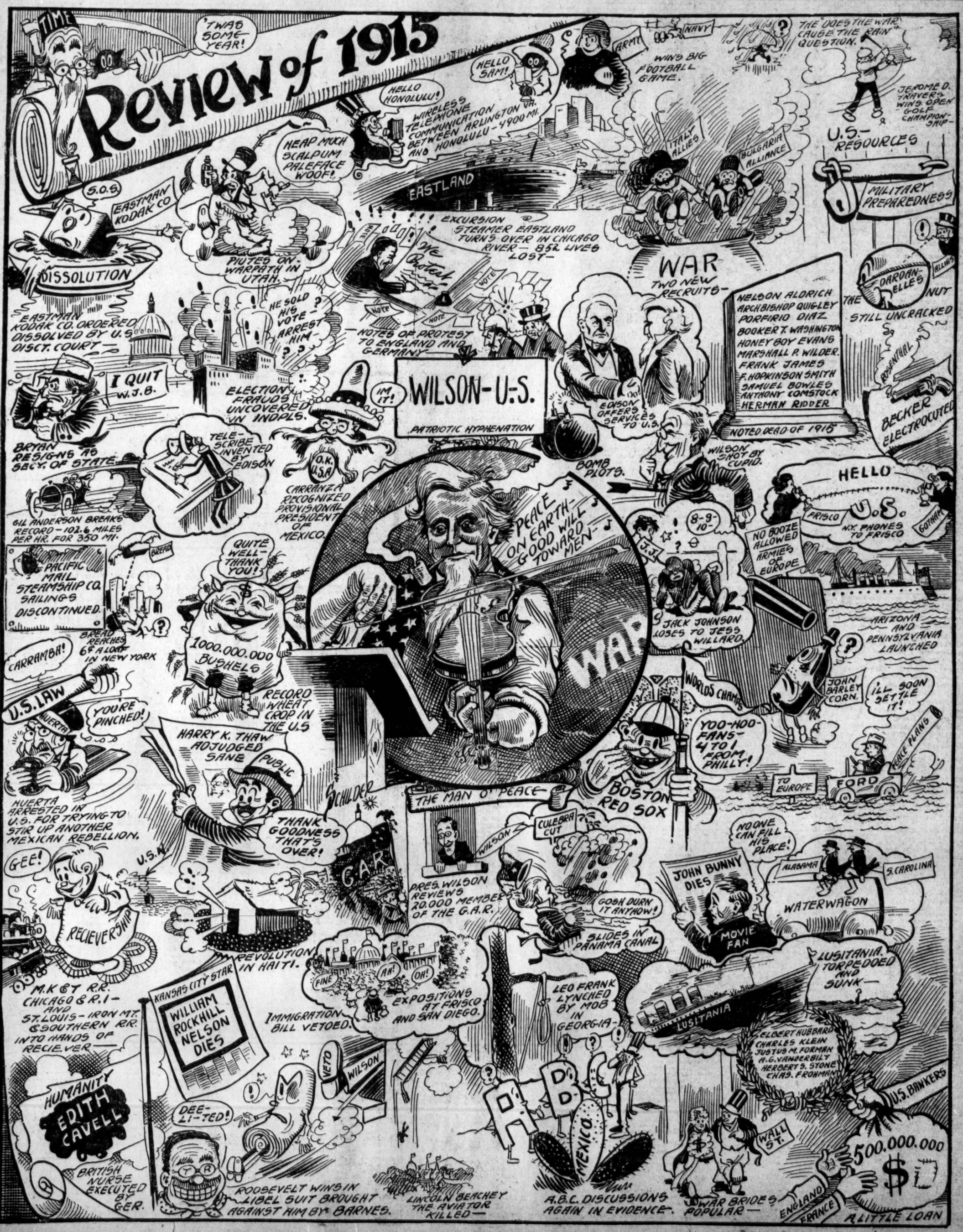

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

REVIEW OF COTTON SITUATION

Encouragement During Week Because of Accumulation of Contracts. Buying by German Agents.

New York, Jan. 1.—Although the cotton market for the week was almost entirely a traders' affair, according to Henry Clews & Company, there was a good deal of encouragement to be found in the persistent accumulation of contracts on price recessions by both foreign and domestic interests. Brokers with German affiliations are credited with buying 50,000 bales of March and in some quarters it was believed that these purchases were due to an approaching favorable development in the international political situation. Whether or not this has any basis in fact, it is quite evident that Germany is fortifying herself commercially against the termination of the war, whenever that may be, and it is reasonable to expect further accumulation of both spots and contracts in that interest at any favorable market opportunity. English agents, also, are credited with being more or less active, but their purchases have been curtailed owing to the export problem which makes it almost impossible to secure shipping accommodations for cotton already in hand. As European stocks are rapidly dwindling, and foreign manufacturers are now said to be drawing upon their reserves, the situation would seem to be serious. In time, however, this development should bring its own cure. The Allied Governments at present are using their naval facilities for the transportation of grain and munitions, and when it becomes imperative for Europe to have cotton there is little doubt that Great Britain will place her mercantile fleet at the disposal of the cotton spinning industry.

Although it is a little early yet to talk new crop, there is no doubt that the fertilizer question is already being given serious consideration. Experts say that a second consecutive year of inadequate fertilization would work havoc, no matter how large an acreage was planted, and from the present price of fertilizers it can hardly be expected that the cotton growers of the South will adequately enrich their soil. That prices of commercial fertilizer are almost prohibitive from a cotton growing standpoint is evidenced by the comparison which was recently made by a Southern firm. They point out that acid phosphate is now $13 a ton as against a normal price of $11; nitrate of potash $410 a ton as against $37; cotton seed meal $40 a ton as against $25, and nitrate of soda $60 as against $46, and they further say that they see no hope of these basic ingredients being reduced in price in time to help the next crop. War or no war, the fact cannot be gainsaid that another short crop on top of this season's limited supply would bring about conditions little short of calamitous. There is nothing in the immediate situation on which to base the expectation of any material price change, but fundamental conditions are such as to suggest purchases on recessions for a long pull.

RAILROAD SITUATION

The revival of railroad earnings during the last two months again demonstrates that the carriers of the country do not lead in bringing about prosperity but reflect the general condition of commerce. Railroad earnings depend on the volume of traffic, and for this reason their earnings lag somewhat behind those of the manufacturing and extractive industries.

When the country was first deluged with orders occasioned by the European war the railroads did not experience the general prosperity of other lines. There was then a surplus of cars and an abundance of terminal facilities. Conditions, however, have now changed in regard to the carriers. The great volume of manufactured goods ordered by the European belligerents is moving forward to destination. The railroads are beginning to get their share of the business prosperity brought to the country. There was nothing unusual in the situation of the roads several months ago. They were waiting for the completion of manufacturing processes before they could obtain their share of the prosperity pie.

The situation is different now; there is a glut of freight on the eastern seaboard, particularly at New York where the port terminal facilities are overcrowded. Two of the best equipped railroads of the country, the Pennsylvania and the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, are complaining that they are unable to load cars at New York because of a scarcity of cargo room and terminal facilities.

In normal times when traffic moves forward with reasonable regularity, and the presence of freight at any port is sufficient to attract bottoms to carry it, meagre terminal facilities have sufficed. The rapid handling of freight serves to prevent congestion, but the terminals are inadequate because of their inelasticity. There is no provision for handling an abnormal amount of freight, and that is the reason why the railroads are complaining of a shortage of cars, and the Middle West unavailingly demands them, and protests when they are not forthcoming.

It is worse than useless for the railroads to continue to improve their facilities for transporting freight to the Atlantic seaboard if it is to be congested there. The federal government and the city of New York must do their part toward improving port conditions and upbuilding a merchant marine. Despite the congested conditions of traffic the government forbids railroads to own ship lines, which could handle the freight when it arrives at ports. The great railroads of Canada are encouraged to enter into just this business, and it is only a short-sighted policy on the part of the United States which makes it impossible for our railroads to do the same thing.—From American Industries for December.

Deep blue eyes, the coquette; gray eyes, keen intelligence; green eys, jealousy; black eyes, intensely loving nature, and brown eyes, a kind, happy temperament. Eyes, which appear impressive and interesting and suddenly flash forth into clean light, denote a loving nature and a deep understanding of trouble or sorrow. Eyes, which are always inquisitive, yet, when they look at a person, seem suddenly to become kind and warm, are not to be trusted too far. They belong to the self-seeker.

COTTON GOODS STRONG

Demands for Print Cloths Results in Advance—Use of Sheetings for Bags is Increasing.

New York, Jan. 1.—Cotton goods markets closed the year very strong. The demand for print cloths has resulted in an advance of about 1-8c a yard and sheetings are being called for in increasing quantities in 40-inch widths to take the place of burlaps. The sinking of the Yeddo in the Mediterranean caused a loss of 11,000,000 yards of burlap consigned to United States ports and prices for spot burlops have reached record figures. This has brought the bag manufacturers to the necessity of substituting further quantities of cotton goods, such as sheetings, osnaburgs, and single filling duck. Many 40-inch sheeting looms are under engagement for several months to come. Bleached and brown cottons for the domestic and export trades have hardened. Wide sheetings are very scarce for quick delivery. Colored goods of a standard character are coming scarcer and the dye-stuffs situation, which is felt so keenly in manufacturing centers, is now making buyers of goods very anxious, some recent advances named for finishing cotton goods bring prices to levels more than 150 per cent above normal, especially where piece dying is wanted. The retail trade has been very active over the holidays and the movement of goods to wholesale channels has been very large during the past week to meet the pressing requirements of prompt January deliveries.

Cloth quotations are as follows: Print cloths, 28 inch 64x64s, 3 3-4c; 64x60s, 3 1-2c; 38 1-2 inch, 64x64s, 4 7-8c; brown sheetings, Southern standards, 8c; denims, 9 ounce, 15c nominal; tickings, 13 1-2c; prints 5 1-2 and 6c; staple ginghams 6 3-4c (at value); dress ginghams, 9c.

DR. WM. H. DOANE, COMPOSER OF FAMOUS HYMNS, IS DEAD.

Many of His Songs Sung in Churches Throughout the World.

(New York Herald, Dec. 25.)

Dr. William Howard Doane, scores of whose hymns have been sung in Sunday schools and churches all over the English speaking world for many years, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George W. Doane, No. 178 Charlton street, South Orange, N. J. Dr. Doane, who was 83 years old, was born in Preston City, Conn., but he lived for the greater part of his life in Cincinnati. For many years he was at the head of the J. J. Fay Company, manufacturers of machinery. In recent years Dr. Doane lived at Watch Hill, R. I.

Dr. Doane at one time was president of the Baptist Publication Society. He was a member of the Baptist Ministers' Aid Society and was connected prominently with the work of the Young Men's Christian Association. He was a member of the Sons of the Revolution, the Mayflower Society and the Society of Colonial Wars. He was passionately fond of music and was himself a musician as well as a composer. He had a hobby for collecting quaint musical instruments, and several years ago donated a remarkable collection to the Cincinnati Art Museum.

His 80th birthday was celebrated at his birthplace in Connecticut, and at that time thousands of congratulations were sent to him by Sunday schools all over the world.

Early in life he became associated with the late Fanny Crosby, blind song writer. She wrote the words and he composed the music of many hymns, one of the earliest and most famous being "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." In telling how she wrote the words of that hymn Fanny Crosby said:

"I wrote it while I was in the New York Institute for the Blind. Dr. Doane came to see me and said he was in a great hurry, as he had to catch a train for Cincinnati, but that he wanted to know if I could write words for a tune which had been running in his head, and which, he said, he couldn't get away from. He sat down to the piano and played the air and asked if I could write words to it in 40 minutes. I said I would try, and went into another room. I believe I went into a sort of trance, for I know that I cannot remember to have worked over the words, but before the 40 minutes had elapsed I had finished the hymn, 'Safe in the Arms of Jesus'."

The hymn, which was written on order in such a remarkably short space of time, has been sung tens of thousands of times since and has a place in many hymnals. The first stanza is:

"Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe on His gentle breast,
There by His love o'ershaded
Sweetly my soul shall rest.
Hark! 'tis the voice of angels,
Borne in a song to me,
Over the fields of glory,
Over the jasper sea."

Other hymns written by Fanny Crosby for which Dr. Doane wrote the music are "Pass Me Not, O, Gentle Saviour"; "Though Your Sins be as Scarlet"; "Near the Cross"; Rescue the Perishining"; "Draw Me Nearer," "Blessed Hour of Prayer," and hundreds more. Many of the Sankey hymns were set to Dr. Doane's music. Often he wrote the words as well as the music of the hymns.

At the time of his death Dr. Doane was engaged in writing the music to a new hymn, the title of which was to be "At Evening Time It Shall be Light."

MRS. HETTIE J. BILBRO DEAD.

Wife of Rev. W. L. Bilbro Dies at Home at Maysville, N. C.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Maysville, N. C., Jan. 1.—This community was made sad on Tuesday evening, December 28, when it was learned that Mrs. Hettie James Bilbro had passed away. She was about 65 years of age. Mrs. Bilbro had been in declining health for some years, but not until a few days before her death was it realized that the end was near. Surviving are her husband, Rev. W. L. Bilbro, to whom she was happily united in marriage about forty years ago, and four sons, as follows: Messrs. W. O. and Archie Bilbro, of Greenville, N. C.; Walter Bilbro, of Charleston, S. C., and Mr. Q. T. Bilbro, of Raleigh.

Before her marriage Mrs. Bilbro's name was Telton. She was a native of Beaufort county, N. C. Early in life she professed faith in Christ and united with the Methodist church, in which belief she continued to the end of life. She was a good woman and will be greatly missed. The body was buried in the cemetery at this place. The bereaved husband and sons have the tender sympathy of their many friends.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Elizabeth Weems, Capt. Hudgins, Georgetown, Baltimore and Carolina Steamship Co.

Cleared.

Str. Chippewa, Capt. Maguire, New York, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Keil (Ger.), 2,873 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Dec. 31, by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Jan 1.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—53½c.

ROSIN—Large, $5.45; small, $5.35.

TAR—$2.10-3½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$3.50, $3.50, $2.50.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal. Rosin, nominal. Tar, nominal. Crude turpentine, nominal.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine .. ..(—)
Rosin 20
Tar 60
Crude Turpentine 12

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, (—) barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—11½. Quotations same day last year, market closed

Receipts—248 bales; same day last year, 552 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 137,024 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 97,987 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 1.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 40c. to 45c. per bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—80c to 90c.

CORN—$1.75 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good demand.

PORK—Small, 10@11c. per pound.

SHEEP—Gross: Old sheep, 3@4c.; lambs, 3@5c. lb.

WOOL—Burry, 19 to 23c.; black wool, 17 to 20c; first class white wool, 27c.

HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c.; dry flint, 17@20c. per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. per lb. Good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c.; spring, 20c to 35c. head. Geese, 55c. to 60c. per head. Ducks, 35c. to 60c. owing to quality. Turkeys, 15c to 18c. lb., alive; 20c to 22c., dressed.

EGGS—27c to 28c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Jan. 1.—North Carolina Peanuts—New crop, market firm. Fancy hand-picked, 84c.; No. 1, machine picked, 77c. per bushel

Virginia Peanuts—New crop, steady. Jumbos, 66c.; fancy hand-picked, 55c.; No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—New crop firm; No. 1, small, machine-picked, $1.00; Jumbos, 90c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 1—Spanish: Farmers' stock: Market, firm. New peanuts, dry and clean, $1.15 per bu.; new, green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock: New fancy Jumbo, 4c. to 4½c. per lb.; new, extra prime, 3¾c. per lb.; new prime, 3½c. to 3½c. per lb.; new, shelling stock, 2½c. to 3c. per lb.

ALLIES BID FOR AID FROM ABYSSINIAN KING

Lij Yasu's 200,000 Soldiers May Yet Save Egypt to England.

(New York Sun).

The Abyssinian ruler, Lij Yasu, is apparently to be permitted to enter the war and allign himself as one of the Allies. He promises 200,000 armed men, and no offer of soldiers is to be scorned.

That genial old black autocrat, Menelik II, recalled to the world that there was an Abyssinia. It was ancient when Rome was young, but the world had forgotten -- until Menelik reminded us that his imperial line was older than Adam's time, that one of his forebears was the queen that made the memorable visit to Solomon, that his was the grandest nation in the universe and his army the greatest.

The question of the acceptance of Abyssinia's aid, which came up in the French chambers, revealed the fact that the Allies had taken cognisance of the Teutonic threat to strike at the Suez Canal. It was for use here as well as in Mesopotamia that the Abyssinians were offered. A force of 200,000 men well supplied with modern arms could be transported to either of these points in four or five days.

Lij Yasu's aid has also been solicited by the Teutonic allies, the plan outlined being that his forces should operate in the Sudan and thus cause a diversion of British troops from Northern Egypt. That the emperor refused to enter into this alliance may be due to gratitude to the Allies; for it was France, Great Britain and Italy that in 1906 undertook to respect and preserve the integrity of his country.

With the entrance of Abyssinia there remains in Africa practically but one little state, Liberia, that is not embroiled in the great conflict. As the dispatches indicate that Persia, too is preparing for hostilities, only China and the central highland in Asia will not be scotched by the flames of war. And yet not two years ago some people declared a war to be the wildest dream of militarism.

WILMINGTON PHYSICIAN REPORTS.

State Law Requires All Cases of Tuberculosis to be Reported.

Sanatorium, N. C., Jan. 1.—The law requiring the physicians of the State to report all cases of tuberculosis to the Bureau of Tuberculosis at Sanatorium, N. C., meets with favor and is rapidly being complied with. Dr. C. L. Pridgen, of Wilmington, and Dr. W. Henry Bruce, of Winston-Salem, are the first physicians to make reports. Dr. Pridgen reports three cases and Dr. Bruce five.

PRICES LOWERED

The prices for the undermentioned securities remain at or above the price of issue in their respective countries, but owing to the practical cessation of exports to the United States by the Central Empires rates of exchange have declined further and we are therefore able to offer the issues named at the prices stated below.

We offer—subject to change in price—

Imperial German Government 5% Bonds (THIRD WAR LOAN)
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THE WEATHER

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 2, 1916.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 48 degrees; at 8 P. M., 62 degrees; maximum, 70 degrees; minimum, 44 degrees; mean, 57 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.31 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 14.7 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Fair Sunday, slightly colder west portion; Monday fair, colder.

The Port Calendar, January 2, 1916.

Sun rises .. ..7:18 A. M.
Sun sets .. ..5:15 P. M.
Day'n length .. .. .9 hrs. 57 min.

TOE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	7:16	7:29	1:35	2:48
Southport	4:52	5:10	11:28	11:31
Masonboro Inl	4:41	4:59	11:08	11:11

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS
January 1, 1916.

STATIONS:	Temperature: Weather at 8 P. M.	Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	clear	66	32	.0
Asheville	clear	66	44	.24
Atlanta	pt cldy	58	50	.0
Augusta	clear	70	48	.0
Baltimore	rain	44	—	.14
Birmingh.	cldy	68	54	.06
Boston	cldy	36	26	.30
Charleston	clear	72	52	.0
Charlotte	cldy	62	46	.01
Chicago	cldy	52	38	.80
Galveston	foggy	76	62	.0
Jacksonv	clear	72	50	.0
Memphis	rain	74	54	.44
Mobile	pt cldy	70	58	.0
Montgom'y	cldy	72	52	.0
New Orl.	cldy	78	64	.0
New York	cldy	38	28	.0
Oklahoma	clear	60	56	.0
Palestine	cldy	76	70	.04
Pittsburg	rain	52	38	.40
Raleigh	pt cldy	62	38	.02
Savannah	clear	74	52	.0
Shreveport	cldy	78	64	.06
St. Louis	clear	64	38	.12
Washing'n	cldy	44	34	.04

NO LYNCHING IN 1915

Report That There Has Been One in Virginia is Denied.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 1.—Alexander Forward, secretary to Governor Henry C. Stuart, tonight officially denied the report that there has been a lynching in Virginia during this year or during the term of the present governor. Reports of a lynching of a looter during the Hopewell fire was personally investigated by Mr. Forward and Found without foundation. Statements denying any such lynching have been filed with the governor by Chief of Police Cotton of Hopewell, Police Justice Laurence Perry, and others.

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DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 41. 5:30 A.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia, and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to recieve outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M. and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 82. 11:59 P.M. Daily.
No. 64. 5:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. 6:15 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.
No. 48. 7:40 A.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington Parlor car, Wilmington to Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. 6:05 P.M. Daily.
No. 84. 8:45 A.M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 83. 3:00 P.M. Daily.
No. 42. 3:25 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 43. 11:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 52. 3:45 P.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. Pullman Cars between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 53. 6:30 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. 10:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs., Sat. only.
No. 61. 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. 9:50 A.M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager. T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent. WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect November 15, 1915.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	8:01 A. M.	7:50 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
.....	.....	.....	b10:31 A. M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
10:00 A. M. c	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b2:06 P. M.	b1:55 P. M.	b1:45 P. M.
a1:10 P. M.	a1:10 P. M.	a1:10 P. M.	a2:01 P. M.	a1:50 P. M.	a1:45 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....	a2:36 P. M.	a2:25 P. M.	.....
c d2:35 P.M.	.....	.....	c d3:06 P.M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	b5:15 P. M.
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....	6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	a6:40 P. M.	7:31 P. M.	7:20 P. M.	f7:15 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....	8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....	8:56 P. M.	8:46 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:15 P. M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P.M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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BURIED IN FRANCE WITH WAR HONORS

Young American's Body Rests in Alsatian Valley

BESIDE ARMY OFFICER

On the Grave is the Inscription, "Richard Hall, an American, Who Died for France"—Was an Ambulance Driver.

Paris, December 31, (Delayed in Transmission).—The cross of war was pinned upon the French flag which covered the body of Richard Hall, a Dartmouth graduate killed early on Christmas morning by a German shell while driving an American ambulance near Weilerkopf.

A letter of condolence from General Joffre, the French commander-in-chief, has been sent to Robert Bacon, president of the coffee of the American hospital at Neuilly.

A. Platt Andrews, inspector-general of the American ambulance in the field, has returned to Paris from Alsace where he attended the funeral of the young volunteer.

"Hall was buried," Prof. Andrew said, "with honors of war in an Alsatian valley which once more belongs to France and in which our American ambulances are working among great green mountains and picturesque villages torn by shells and swarming with soldiers.

"His grave, in a crowded military cemetery is next that of a French officer, who fell the same morning. It bears the brief inscription: 'Richard Hall, an American, who died for France.'"

"Simple mountain people in the only part of Germany where foreign soldiers are today, brought to the grave many wreaths of native flowers and Christmas greens.

"I was told by at least three families that they would keep flowers on the grave until the end of the war, when they hoped Hall's parents could visit it.

"Hall was killed by a stray shell at a lonely turn in the road up the mountain which German guns try intermittently to reach. His car was demolished and swept off the road. The shell struck several hours before daybreak and a number of his comrades crawled in ambulances upon and down the mountain past the spot before the morning revealed the occurrence.

At the conclusion of the services Hall's citation was read and the cross of war pinned on the coffin. The body was then carried to the cemetery by Lovering Hill, who commands his section, a French officer, an English officer and Stephen Gallati, R. Matter, and Allyn Jennings, his comrades. His brother Louis Hall, walked directly behind the coffin, and sixteen soldiers, belonging to a battalion of leave from the trenches, marched in file on each side with arms reversed.

Louis Hall, on his return to the United States will take with him the riddled canvas side of the automobile ambulance which had been presented by Dartmouth students and to the Alpha Delta Phi, the fraternity of which his brother was a member, the steel helmet which he wore when killed.

SEIZED LIQUOR OUT OF COUNTY

Officer Follows Trunk Till Put Off Train, Then Grabs It.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 1.—There are 16 gallons of fine whiskey stored away at the city hall, which may be secured if the owner will call and lay claim to the property. A young man endeavored to bring a trunk of whiskey to Goldsboro from Virginia Thursday and planned well, but was foiled in the attempt. He had the trunk checked to Selma and after reaching that place gave up his check and asked the baggage agent to bill it to Rose's Siding. He bought a ticket to that flag station, but, finding a Selma officer had boarded the train and was watching his every move, he did not get off at Rose, but went to the conductor and paid his fare to Asylum Junction, where the trunk was put off, but found that the Selma officer was opening his trunk. When the officer found it was full of whiskey, he took charge of it, had it put back on the train, brought it to Goldsboro and turned it over to Chief of Police Ed Tow.

While the Selma officer was examining the trunk at the Asylum Junction, the young man escaped.

Just how far the Selma officer exceeded his authority in coming out of Johnston county into Wayne and breaking a man's trunk open after the railroad authorities had delivered it to him outside the city police jurisdiction, and without a search and seizure warrant, has caused considerable discussion among members of the local bar. However, the owner of same has employed no counsel.

ABOUT 100 MEMBERS OF FORD PARTY WILL GO TO THE HAGUE

Mayor of Stockholm Has Joined the Expedition at Copenhagen.

Copenhagen, via London), Jan. 1.—About one-third of the members of the Ford Peace Expedition, the majority of whom are students, will leave the party at Copenhagen. The remaining members of the party, about 100 Americans, are going to The Hague. It was thought undesirable for the students to take the risk of a voyage through the North Sea.

The expedition has obtained information that it will possibly take six days' more time tha nis usually requested for the voyage to The Hague, on account of the ship being requested to move only in the day time. Members of the exupedition desire to reach The Hague as they are unable to obtain publicity or hold meetings in Copenhagen.

Mayor Lindahagan of Stockholm has arrived in Copenhagen and joined the party.

NEGRO SHOT DOWN; MAY DIE

Resisted Arrest by Goldsboro Officer After Beating His Wife.

Special Star Telegram.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 1.—Ham Benton, a negro, was shot down tonight by Officer Hart, of the local police force, when Benton resisted arrest. The negro was beating his wife and when Officer Hart interfered Benton assaulted him with a knife. Chief Tew carried the negro to a hospital and reports are that there is no chance for him to live.

RUSSIAN WOUNDED BY MILITIAMAN IS DEAD

Dies Under Peculiar Circumstances at Hopewell, Va.

Hospital Physician Had Seen Him Early in Day and Considered Him About Out of Danger—Stomach to Be Examined.

Hopewell, Va., Jan. 1.—Lesuasse Schke, the Russian who was bayonetted on Sunday last by Private J. D. Blue, of the Mecklenburg Guards, while trying to escape from a house which was being raided as a "blind tiger" by the militia and police and whose wounding brought forth an inquiry from the Russian ambassador at Washington, died in the hospital here early today under peculiar circumstances. Dr. Robert Giering, in charge of the hospital, stated that he saw Schake early today and considered him about out of danger. A little later he was attracted to his cot and when he reached his side the Russian was dead. The stomach of the dead man has been sent to the state chemist in Richmond for examination and Adjutant General W. W. Sale has been officially notified of the death.

General Sale said tonight that Private Blue was acting clearly within his orders when he bayonetted Schake and that the latter's death would not cause a re-opening of the case so far as the military is concerned.

MARRIAGES IN DUPLIN

Two Solemnized Near Warsaw on Christmas Day.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Warsaw, N. C., Jan. 1.—A very pretty home marriage was celebrated at the home of the bride, a few miles from here, on Christmas day when Miss Sudie Frederick became the wife of Mr. Harry Rackley. Holly and bamboo were used for the decorations. The attendants, Misses Mamie Frederick, Sallie Blanchard, an dLena Tucker, all dressed in blue crepe de chine, with Messrs. Nick Blanchard, Jamie Jones and Moseley Frederick, preceded the bride, who wore white crepe de chien. Miss Estelle Carlton presided at the piano and rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march as the bridal party entered, while Justice of the Peace James Carlton performed the ceremony. A reception was given the bridal party and other friends at the home of the groom that evening by his father, Mr. Buck Rackley.

Miss Bettie Brown Best, daughter of the late Mr. Ben Best and Mrs. Best, and Mr. R. F. Frederick were quietly married by Justice of the Peace Jamie Carlton on Christmas day.

SIX WOOLEN MILLS; FOUR SILK MILLS IN STATE.

Over Million Dollars in Former; Two Millions in Latter.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 1.—North Carolina has six woolen and four silk mills according to the annual summary by Commissioner Shipman, of the State Department of Labor and Printing. The woolen mills have a total capital of $1,037,648 and they operate 13,332 spindles, 258 looms and 25 cards. They are run with 850,000 horsepower and consume 1,202,404 pounds of raw material. The estimated value of the annual output is $750,764. There are 507 persons employed, of whom 304 are males and 203 females. The reports show only 10 persons under 16 years of age employed. The woolen mills pay out $198,452 in wages and $21,230 in salaries for the year.

The four silk mills have an aggregate capital of $2,059,726 and are equipped with 64,560 spindles, 452 looms, requiring 1,005 horsepower. The silk mills consume 100,000 pounds of raw material and have an estimated value of finished product for the year of $585,887. The mills employ 736 operators of whom 230 are male and 506 females. They employ 100 persons under 16 years of age according to reports to the State Department. These mills pay out $270,000 annually in wages.

NAVAL MILITIA REPORT.

Shows Increasing Interest Among Corporations and Business Houses.

Washington, Jan. 1.—An increasing interest among corporations and business houses generally in the naval militia is shown in the annual report of Capt. F. B. Bassett, Jr., chief of the naval militia bureau. Many concerns last year granted enlisted men in their employ special leave on full pay for attendance at training camps without deducting the time from regular vacations.

The 8,312 officers and men now in the naval militia Captain Bassett says, form a very valuable reserve for the navy "in time of need."

Extension of the free mailing privilege of the army and navy to the militia, and granting Federal employes leave to attend militia schools and camps is recommended.

POLITICS WARMING UP.

Mr. Wm. P. Parsons, of Anson, May be Asked to Run for State Senate.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wadesboro, N. C., Jan. 1.—With the advent of 1916, the political pot has begun to boil. The nomination for state senators for this district, comprising Anson, Davidson, Stanley and Union counties, will fall to the two first named counties this year. A well defined rumor is to the effect that Mr. William P. Parsons will be asked to represent the district from Anson county. Mr. Parsons is a native of this county. He has long been identified with civic, commercial and moral interests of this community and is recognized as a happy medium between the conservative and radical factions.

PAID $10 TO KICK NEGRO

Leslie Stroud Fined for Kicking "Bunk" Taylor Without Cause.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Jan. 1.—Leslie Stroud, of Neuse township, found that kicking a negro without provocation is a violation of the law when he was fined $10 and costs by Magistrate H. C. V. Peebles here. The magistrate was told that Stroud picked "Kunk" Taylor, a railroad employe, on a lumber mill yard without having been spoken to by Taylor, who was occupied with his work at the time.

MONEY FOR TITANIC CLAIMS.

White Star Line Deposits Court Fund With Federal District Court.

New York, Jan. 1.—Counsel for the White Star Line, owners of the Titanic, deposited today with the clerk of the District Federal Court the sum of $119,125, representing all that is left of the passage and freight charges and salvage on life boats of the sunken liner.

This sum will be court fund for the settlement of claims if a decision of United States Judge Julius M. Mayer, as to the limitation of liabilities of the steamship company is upheld. The total claims are about $2,500,000, but nearly all of the claimants have agreed to accept $664,000 in full settlement.

SCHOONER IS BURNED.

The Forest City, With Cargo of Palm Oil, Destroyed at San Juan.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Jan 1. — The American schooner Forest City, with a cargo of palm oil, burned at her dock here today. The Forest City was bound from Calabar, on the West Coast of Africa, to New York.

The Forest City, disabled by storms, and with eleven of her crew suffering from beri-beri, reached San Juan on December 13, after a 71-day voyage from West Africa.

MAY BUY CLEVELAND NAPS.

Jake Stahl Will Purchase Club if Terms Can be Arranged.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—J. Garland (Jake) Stahl, former manager of the Boston and Washington clubs of the American League, will purchase the Cleveland Americans, it was reported today, if satisfactory financial terms can be arranged. Robert McRoy, former secretary of the American League, and at one time part owner of the Boston Americans, will be associated with Stahl in the venture, it was said.

1916 YEAR OF VICTORY.

President Poincare Makes Declaration in Message to Men at Front.

Paris, Dec. 31. (Delayed)—"1916 will be the year of our victory," said President Poincare in a message to the officers and soldiers of France which is being distributed along the whole front tonight. The message which is one of great simplicity, expresses the confidence of the entire country in its defenders.

AHEARN OUTBOXED M'COY.

Had Best of Brooklyn Middleweight in Almost Every Round.

New York, Jan. 1. — Young Ahearn, of Brooklyn, had the better of Al. McCoy, Brooklyn middleweight, in almost every round of a ten-round bout here today. Ahearn weighed 156; McCoy 162. Ahearn is matched to box Mike Gibbons on January 18 at St Paul for the world's middleweight championship.

SAILING RECORDS BROKEN

Twenty-Three Ships, 18 for Foreign Ports, Left Baltimore Yesterday.

Baltimore, Jan. 1.—All records for sailing from this port were broken today when 23 vessels loaded with grain and other merchandise cleared. Eighteen carried cargoes for foreign ports.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 1.—A decree establishing a minimum wage of $8.50 a week for 10,000 women and girls employed in retail stores in this State went into effect today. The decree, issued by the Minimum Wage commission, while not mandatory, has been accepted by nearly all retail stores in the State.

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Snow along the coast and in the great valleys of California lay today at a depth greater than for years. Redding, at the upper end of the Sacramento valley reports 18 inches and sleighing. Stockton and Fresno in the San Joaquin valley also reported snow.

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 1.—Philip V. G. Carter, of New York, junior metropolitan champion, won the 12th annual holiday week golf tournament here today by defeating H. W. Whittemore, 3 up and 2 to play.

Easton, Pa., Jan. 1.—Dr. Isaac Ott, a distinguished neutrologist and author of medical books, died at his home here today. He was 68 years old. Dr. Ott was a former president of the American Neurological Society and at one time dean of Medico-Chirurgical hospital, Philadelphia.

Los Angeles, Jan. 1.—A terrific explosion at the height of the New Year celebration early today blew up four buildings in the foreign quarter of the city. Joseph Rossini and his wife were missing today, but the police could find no bodies in the debris.

New Orleans, Jan. 1. — Prominent turf men from all parts of the country were here today at the opening of the winter horse racing season. The meet is being held under the auspices of the Business Men's Racing association, and will continue for fifty-seven days.

Tijuana, Mex., Jan. 1. — Despite adverse weather conditions, a crowd of more than 8,000 persons attended the inaugural race meet of the Lower California Jockey club here today. The meet will continue 100 days.

Baraboo, Wis., Jan. 1.—Al. Ringling, 66 years old, died here today of Bright's disease. He had been ill about a year. Mr. Ringling was the eldest of th eRingling brothers, circus owners, who have their winter quarters here. He is survived by a widow.

Pasadina, Cal., Jan. 1.—Washington State College defeated Brown University here today in the first football game of 1916 by a score of fourteen to nothing.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 1.—Johnny Kilbane, of Cleveland, and Richie Mitchell, of Milwaukee, fought ten fast rounds here this afternoon, popular decision giving Mitchell the better of the bout. Mitchell forced the fighting and in the last four rounds punished the champion quite severely.

Tampa, Fla., Jan. 1.—The football eleven, of the Cuban athletic club, champions of the island, met defeat here at the hands of the Southern college team today by a score of 47 to 0.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Capt. Henry B. Wilson, president of the naval board of inspection and survey, has been ordered to take command of the dreadnaught Pennsylvania nearing completion at Newport News.

Atlanta, Jan. 1.—Freddie Welsh, lightweight champion, easily outpointed Frank Whitney in a ten-round nodecision bout here tonight. Whitney was accredited the fourth round.

PREDICTS ALLIES WILL WIN IN 1916

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impetus, will emerge from the struggle.

M. Sazanoff, Russian foreign minister, predicts that the day will come "which will witness the definite triumph of right over force, and of civilization over scientific barbarism."

The following was contributed by Madame DeWirat, wife of the Belgian minister of justice:

"Patience a little longer."

Gustave Herve, who for many years before the war was known as an antimilitary agitator, proclaims his conviction that the Allies will triumph by changing the name of his newspaper from La Guerre Sociale to La Victoire.

CONSPIRACY IS ALLEGED.

Second Contest to the Probate of Will of Late A. G. Spalding.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 1.—Allegations of conspiracy between Mrs. Elixabeth Churchill Spalding, wife of Albert Goodwill Spalding, and Mrs. Katherine Tingle, head of the Theosophical Institure at Point Loma, near San Diego, form the basis of a second contest to the probate of the will of the late sporting goods magnate, filed here by attorneys for Albert Goodwill Spalding, Jr., and adopted son and made public today. The first contest was filed late in September.

Much of the large estate of the late A. G. Spalding was left to the widow and the Theosophical Institute.

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WANTED — POSITION BY COMPE-tent stenographer, with four years' experience. Quick and accurate at figures. Moderate salary. Address "Competent," care Star. ja2-1t*

FOR SALE OR RENT — ON EASY terms, cottage on McRae st., between Grace and Walnut; large, deep lot. Apply 511 North Fourth street. ja2-1t

WANTED — IF IT'S A NICE, QUIET, private boarding place, either regular or table board, with comfort and conveniences, with good service, apply 313 North Second street. ja2-su,w-2t*

SALESMEN WANTED — EXPERI-enced specialty men to sell chinaware, glassware and cutlery; 25 per cent. commission, payable weekly. Full or side line. Drawing account allowed salesman who can produce results. National Importing Co., St. Louis, Mo. de12-su-tf

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HELP WANTED — FEMALE — GOOD salary earned by any woman, while establishing trade all your own. Work all or part of time. No experience Representative needed in your territory. Be first. Write quick C. C. Hosiery Co., Norristown, Pa. de19-su4t*

WANTED — WOMEN GOVERNMENT clerks, $70 month, Wilmington examinations coming. Sample questions and full description of examinations free. Write immediately. Franklin Institute, Dept. 687-K, Rochester, N. Y. de12-su5t*

WANTED—HIGH CLASS CASUALTY man to act as district manager. The most salable line of accident and health insurance policies on the market. Address with references. General Accident Assurance Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa. no7-su,tf

MEN, WOMEN, 18 OR OVER, WANTED, $75.00 month. Government jobs. Thousands positions obtainable. Write for list. Franklin Institute, Dept. 296-K, Rochester, N. Y. de12-su4t*

A FULL LINE OF SHADE TREES, roses and shrubs. Buy home grown fruit trees at The Holland Nurseries, Castle Haynes, N. C. 'Phone 5611. oc17-w,su-tf

HOG JOWL AND PEAS TODAY IS THE go. We have full supply of smoked and canned jowls. Nice, small lady peas; also black-eye. Fancy dressed chickens, ducks and turkeys. Extra fine celery, lettuce and cranberries. Oysters fresh in, 30 cents small bucket. Open all day. 'Phone No. 72. Batson's Meat Market. ja1-tf

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WE ALWAYS HAVE ON HAND FOR immediate use for your lunch, 20 different kinds of meat. Our frankfurters cannot be excelled. We also cook corned beef and tongue daily, ourselves. To be sure that you are getting the right kind, in our line, get it from May Brothers, the people who know how to prepare it. 24 N. Front street. 'Phone 1322 de30-tf

BEST PURE LARD, 12 1-2 CENTS; Baldwin apples, 38 cents peck; Arbuckle's coffee, 20 cents; Caraja coffee, 25 cents; dried peaches or apples, 7½ cents lb.; butter beans, 13 cents quart; grits, 3½ cents quart; sweet potatoes, 15 cents peck. Quick delivery; full stock of groceries. Cheapest steady prices in town. A. Renik, 5th and Nixon streets 'Phone 827. de30-7t

WE WANT TO BUY SEVERAL tracts of from one to twenty thousand acres, for cash, in improved lands in Brunswick county. Write us what you have and we will come down and look it over. Washington-Beaufort Land Co., Washington, N. C. de29-5t

FOR RENT — 211 NORTH 6TH ST., new up-to-date house. Will rent as a whole or in flats. See M. C. Darby & Co., Real Estate, 114 Princess st. de29-tf

SAME GOODS FOR LESS MONEY — Rice, whole grain, 9 cents; 6 lb. sack of flour, 25 cents; meal, 23 cents peck. All 10 and 15 cent can goods, 3 for 25 cents; all 5 cent articles 6 for 25 cents; Catawba Creamery Butter, 30 cents; eggs, 28 cents. A. Renik, 5th and Nixon streets. 'Phone 827. de29-7t

MUSIC BAGS, SATCHELS AND ROLLS for carrying music, suitable for an Xmas gift. Also Rolls for Player-Pianos. Violin, Mandolin, Guitar and Banjo Strings. Yopp & Woody Music Co., 217 North Front St. 'Phone 313. de22-tf

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FOR SALE — TWO CROSSED BERK-shire and Jersey Red sows and pigs. Also one Duroc Jersey Red sow. 'Phone 9091. G. W. Trask. ja2-1t*

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